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LIST OF DEPARTURES FROM BOMBAY FOR MARSEILLES & LONDON

WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT BRINDISI AND MALTA.

Date of Sailing.	Steamer.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons.
7th Dec.	SALSETTE	6090	INDIA	8000
14th "	ARABIA	8000		
22nd "	SALSETTE	6090	MOLDAVIA	10000
28th "	MALOJA	11500		
1912				
4th Jan.	SALSETTE	6090	MONGOLIA	10000
12th "	PERSIA	8000		
20th "	SALSETTE	6090	MOOLTAN	10000
27th "	OCEANA	7003		
3rd Feb.	SALSETTE	6090	MALWA	11000
10th "	CHINA	8000		
17th "	SALSETTE	6090	MANTUA	11000
24th "	EGYPT	8000		
2nd Mar.	MACEDONIA	10850		
9th "	ARABIA	8000		
16th "	SALSETTE	6090	MOREA	11000
23rd "	*ARCADIA	7000		
30th "	PERSIA	8000		
6th "	MARMORA	10000		
13th April.	MOOLTAN	10000		
13th "	SALSETTE	6090	MOLDAVIA	11000
20th "	MANTUA	11000		
27th "	SALSETTE	6090	MALOJA	13950
4th May.	EGYPT	8000		
11th "	SALSETTE	6090	MONGOLIA	10000
18th "	ARABIA	8000		

The above Regular Mail Steamers are fitted with *WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.*

The above Steamers convey Passengers to Marseilles, Plymouth and London.

Passengers for Brindisi transhipp to a connecting Steamer at Port Said.

Tenders leave the BALLARD PIER, on day of sailing. All passengers must attend at that place at 12-30 P. M. for Medical Inspection by the Health Officer of the Port.

Friends of Passengers cannot go on board the Mail Steamer.

* INTERMEDIATE PASSENGER STEAMER.

The S.S. "ARCADIA," 7,000 tons, will leave BOMBAY, at 2 p.m., on WEDNESDAY, 20th MARCH, 1912, direct for MARSEILLES, PLYMOUTH and LONDON, conveying Passengers in ONE CLASS only at SPECIAL FARES.

	Single.	Return.
To Marseilles	Rs. 495 or Rs. 594	Rs. 743 or Rs. 891
To London by Sea	Rs. 528 or Rs. 627	Rs. 792 or Rs. 940

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BOMBAY TO ENGLAND (WEYMOUTH) VIA SUEZ AND PORTSAID.

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Each steamer carries a duly qualified Surgeon and an experienced Stewardess.

Steamer.	Tonnage.	Leave Bombay about
Umballa	5000	21st December 1911.

Fare to Rs. 350 to Rs. 400.

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Bombay.

SOCIETA NAZIONALE DI SERVIZI MARITTIMI (RUBATTINO LINE.)

BOMBAY to NAPLES and GENOA direct.

FOR BRINDISI and VENICE Transhipping at PORT SAID.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To sail on
D. Balduino	4 580	D. Maganini	15th Dec. 1911
R. Rubattino	4,580	Piazzoni	15th Jan. 1912

RATES TO THE ABOVE PORTS INCLUSIVE OF WINE, BEER AND FANS.

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
Single Tickets	Rs. 500	Rs. 350	Rs. 165
Return Tickets available two years	Rs. 750*	Rs. 525	Rs. 247-8

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Through tickets to New York in connection at Naples, or Genoa. 1st Class, Rs. 740; Special Rates for Missionaries. Passengers for Europe have the option of going via Genoa and returning via Venice or vice versa, and can break their journey at any port en route.

INTERCHANGEABLE RETURN TICKETS

are issued to return either by the Messageries Maritimes from Marseilles or by the Austrian Lloyd from Trieste.

BOMBAY TO COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE AND HONGKONG.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To sail on
Capri	6000	P. Figari	16th Dec. 1911.

Fares to COLOMBO Rs. 75, to PENANG Rs. 140 to to SINGAPORE Rs. 165 and to HONGKONG Rs. 220.

Through bills of lading for Mediterranean Black Sea, and Assorian Ports issued.

Subject to alterations.

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SHIPPING.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LD.

INTEND TO DESPATCH STEAMERS AS FOLLOWS:—

FOR KARACHI,

Weekly from Victoria Dock.

Steamer.	Tons.	Sailing.	Date.	Time.	Route via.
Dwarka	1695	Thurs.	7th Dec.	9 a.m.	*C. M.
Linga	2184	Fri.	8th Dec.	6 a.m.	† direct.
Lhasa	2184	Mon.	11th Dec.	11 a.m.	‡via P. D. & C. M.

*Cutch Mandvie.
†Or later on arrival of English Mail Steamer.
‡Porebunder, Dwarka and Cutch Mandvie.

FOR KARACHI AND BUSREH (Weekly).

S. S. "Dwarka," 1695 tons, on Thursday, 7th Dec. calling at Muscat, Linga, Bushire, and Mahomerah.

FOR PERSIAN GULF PORTS.

S. S. "Malda," 1951 tons, on Wednesday 6th December, calling at Veraval, Mangrol, Karachi, Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Linga, Bahrein, and Bushire.

FOR EAST AND SOUTH AFRICA. (Monthly.)

S. S. "Pentakota," 3413 tons, on or about 28th December, calling at Seychelles, Mombasa, Zanzibar, Mozambique, Beira, Delagoa Bay and Durban.

FOR COAST PORTS AND CALCUTTA.

S. S. "Lawada" 3269 tons on or about 16th December.

FOR RANGOON OR CALCUTTA (Direct).

Frequent sailings, with onward connections to ports in Arracan, Burma, Straits Settlements, Mauritius, Australia, and New Zealand.

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6th December, 1911.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES, FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

TO MARSEILLES.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To Sail on THURSDAY
Yarra	4142	Rosati	21st Dec. 1911
Polynesien	6393	Bruno	18th Jan. 1912.
Ville-dela Ciotat	6378	Eschenauer	15th Feb. 1912.
Nera	5538		14th Mar. 1912.
Oceanien	4143	Cousin	11th April 1912.
Armand Behic	6353	Gutonnet	9th May 1912.
Yarra	4142	Rosati	6th June 1912.

INTERCHANGEABLE TICKETS.

RETURN TICKETS can be made available for one way by the Messageries Maritimes, and the Return Voyage by the Austrian Lloyd's or the Navigations General Italiana's at Reduced Fares.

TO AUSTRALIA DIRECT AND THE FAR EAST, TRANSHIPPING AT COLOMBO.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To Sail on or about
Nera	5538		29th Dec. 1911.
Oceanien	4143	Cousin	26th Jan. 1912.

For further particulars apply to—

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ANCHOR LINE.

REGULAR SAILING FROM BOMBAY TO MARSEILLES AND LIVERPOOL.

The following SAILINGS have been arranged:—

ANCHOR LINE SAILINGS.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1911.

Steamer.	Tonnage.	Captain.	Leave Bombay.
Macedonia	5091	J. Thomson	4th Dec. 1911
Olympia	5124	R.H. Brown, R.N.R.	20th " "
Circassia	6716	C. F. Osborne R.N.R.	3rd Jan. 1912
Scindia	5106	W. Kelso	23rd " "
Castalia	6383	G. Mitchell	7th Feb. "

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON 1912.

		Leave Bombay about.
*Elysia	6368 A. Haig	24th Feb. 1912
Macedonia	5091 J. Thomson	8th Mar. "
Olympia	5124 R.H. Brown, R.N.R.	23rd " "
Circassia	6716 C.F. Osborne R.N.R.	6th Apr. "
Scindia	5106 Wm. Kelso	21st " "
Castalia	6383 G. Mitchell	3rd May "
*Elysia	6368 A. Haig	17th " "
Macedonia	5091 J. Thomson	2nd June "

*"Fitted with Marconi Wireless Telegraphy".

Schedule of the revised rates of fares from Bombay Homeward ports by the Anchor Line steamers:—

	Single.	Return
Bombay to Suez	Rs. 413	627
Bombay to Portsaid	" 446	677
Bombay to Marseilles and back from Liverpool	" 578	924
Bombay to London Overland from Marseilles and back from Liverpool	" 653	992
Bombay to Gibraltar	" 590	891
Bombay to Liverpool	" 605	957
Bombay to New York	" 808	1,340
Bombay to Cairo, including train fare from Suez	" 446	

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Current Accounts opened and fixed deposits received at terms to be ascertained on application.

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L. CAMBE,
Manager.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL ...£ 1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ...£ 1,125,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ...£ 562,500
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS ...£ 562,500
RESERVE FUNDS ...£ 325,000

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The London Joint Stock Bank,

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The Bank negotiates and collects Bills and grants Drafts payable at its Head Office and Branches, and issues Letters of Credit for the use of Travellers.

The Bank receives Deposits on the following terms:—

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

Interest allowed at 2 per cent. on the daily balance if not under Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000. Sums over Rs. 1,00,000 will be received on terms to be ascertained on application.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Rates for Fixed deposits for 12 months and shorter period to be ascertained on application.

The Bank undertakes the purchase and sale of Government Securities, Stocks, and Shares, and receives same for safe custody, realising interest and dividends when due.

JAMES MURDOCH,
Esplanade Road, Bombay. Manager.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LD.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... £ 2,000,000
PAID UP CAPITAL... £ 1,000,000
RESERVE FUND... £ 850,000

HEAD OFFICE:
26, BISHOPSGATE, LONDON E. C.

BRANCHES:

Calcutta,	Cochin,	Zanzibar,
Bombay,	Chittagong,	Mombasa,
Madras,	Rangoon,	Nairobi,
Karachi,	Mandalay,	Nakuru,
Lahore	Colombo,	Kisumu,
Amritsar,	Kandy	Jinja,
Delhi,	Nuwara-Eliya,	Kampala,
Cawnpore	Aden (Camp.)	Entebbe.
Tuticorin,	Aden, (Steamer Point)	

FIXED DEPOSITS.—The Bank receives DEPOSITS FIXED for one year and shorter periods, as Rates of Interest to be ascertained on application.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened for approved Customers, and interest is allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances from Rs. 1,000 up to Rs. 1,00,000, but no interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 5 half-yearly.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE, payable in the principal Cities of Europe, India, China, Africa, and Australia purchased or collected.

DRAFTS are granted on the Head Office and Branches of the Bank and on the principal Cities of Europe, Africa, America, and Australia. Remittances may be made by telegram.

The Bank undertakes the purchase and sale of Government Securities, Stocks, and Shares and receive same for safe custody, realising Interest and Dividends when due.

LOANS and CASH CREDITS granted on approved Securities.

Post Box No. 141. W. J. K. HEGARTY,
BOMBAY Acting Manager.

THE CREDIT BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:
"7, Green Street, Fort, Bombay."

BRANCHES:

Ahmedabad, Baroda, Bhawnagar, Hyderabad (Sind) Junagadh, Karachi, Mandvi (Bombay), Nadiad, Rajkot, Sukkur and Surat.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL
Rs. 50,00,000.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and interest allowed on daily balances from Rs. 100 to Rs. 1,00,000 at the rate of 2½ per cent. per annum, and on sums over Rs. 1,00,000 by special arrangement. No interest which does not amount to Re. 2 per half year will be showed.

SAVINGS BANK.

Interest allowed at 4 per cent. per annum, rules on application.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Rates for Fixed Deposits for 12 months and shorter periods to be ascertained on application.

LOANS OVERDRAFTS AND CASH CREDITS.

The Bank grants accommodation on terms to be arranged against approved security.

The Bank undertakes on behalf of its constituents the safe custody of Shares and Securities and the collection of dividends and interests thereon; it also undertakes the sale and purchase of Government Paper and all descriptions of Stocks at moderate charges particulars of which may be had on application.

JAFFER JOOSAB,
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BANK OF BOMBAY.

THE BANK WILL be CLOSED on THURSDAY, the 7th and TUESDAY the 12th instant those days being Public Holidays, under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 1st December, 1911.

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A Resident Medical Officer.
A full time Bacteriologist and Pathologist.

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SINGLE JOURNEY.	Rs. a.	RETURN JOURNEY.	Rs. a.
First Class ...	66 3	First Class ...	125 12
Second Class ...	33 2	Second Class ...	62 14
Third Class ...	8 12		

RATES FOR HORSES, CARRIAGE AND MOTOR CARS.

SINGLE JOURNEY.	Rs. a	RETURN JOURNEY.	Rs. a.
First Horse ...	107 10	First Horse ...	161 7
Each additional horse ...	53 13	Each additional horse ...	80 12
One Carriage ...	161 7	One Carriage ...	242 3
Two Carriages loaded on one truck same owner.	242 3	One Motor Car....	363 4
One Motor Car ...	242 3		
Two Motor Cars on one truck same owner ...	376 11		

DAILY TRAIN SERVICE.

PUNJAB MAIL.	H. M.	CORONATION EXPRESS.	H. M.
Victoria Terminus. D......	14 30	Victoria Terminus. D......	22 30
Delhi (2nd day) A......	20 30	Delhi (3rd day) A......	8 20

The Coronation Express will run from the 15th November to the 20th December.

These Trains, which will be duplicated if necessary, are fitted with electric lights and fans, and Dining Cars are attached on the journey.

Passengers intending to travel by these trains are recommended to book their seats in advance.

A. C. RUMBOLL,
General Traffic Manager.
Victoria Terminus,
Dated 30th August, 1911.

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CAPITAL (Paid up)......................Rs. 20,00,000
RESERVE FUND (in Government Paper).......................Rs. 28,50,000

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FIXED DEPOSITS received and interest allowed at rates which can be ascertained on application.

SAVINGS BANK—Deposits received and interest allowed. Rules on application.

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In accordance with Sections 55 and 56 of Railway Act IX, of 1890, under instructions from the G.I.P. Railway Company, Messrs. MENESSE and Co., will sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY, the 22nd December 1911, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.), at the above-named place:—

A quantity of unclaimed goods, parcels, etc., etc.

MENESSE & Co.
Bombay, 6th December, 1911.

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SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT & COMPANY.
No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 6th instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) Messrs. BENNETT & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at "West-Velly" Cuffe Parade, Colaba reclamation very valuable and artistic design mahoganised furniture rich glassware by Treacher, crockeryware, book cases, reclining sofa, chairs, large dining table and chairs, dinner wagon, large sideboard, round and square tables, sofa and easy chairs, curtains, one nearly new microscope by R. and J. Beck, lot of valuable books, rich carpets, iron bedsteads with wire and horsehair mattresses, mirror door wardrobes, dressing and washhand tables, chest of drawers, etc., etc., the property of M. A. Angers Esq., and others.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

On SATURDAY, the 9th instant, at 2-30 p. m. (S. T.) Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at "Roosevelt House," Apollo Bunder, the valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood plain and carved household furniture of the latest designed, rich glass and crockeryware, best platedware, dinner sets, large dining table and chairs, sideboards and dumb-waiters, drawing-room suite of sofas and chairs, drawing-room cabinets, glass door almyrahs, handsome flower vases and table ornaments rich pictures and oleographs, chest of drawers, teapoys, Victoria sewing machine, marble clock, marble top dressing and washhand tables, brass and iron single and double bedsteads, table hanging and hall lamps, wearing apparels, rich carpets, alluminium utensils, one parrot with brass cage, etc., etc., the property of J. H. Richer Esqr. and others.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

On SATURDAY, the 9th instant, at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc.

At 2 p. m. (S. T.)

1 handsome strong rubber-tyred victoria, in good order.
1 second-hand glass fronted miniature office-brougham, in good order.
1 second-hand rubber-tyred palanquin office shigram.
1 iron grey Arab, about 13-3, aged, goes in harness
1 country bredpony.

BONA-FIDE SALE.
Suit No. 765 of 1911.
Shirinbai vs. Aminabai.

Under instructions from Mr. Meherali Mahomed Fakira, Receiver appointed in the above suit of the Estate of the late Mr. Yussuali Haji Allarakhia Nathoo, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th instant, sell by Public Auction at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.) at Warden Road, Breach Candy (opp. the Battery), very valuable and handsome teak and blackwood mahoganised household furniture, by Wimbridge and others, such as rich drawing room, sofas and chairs. one very handsome handpainted glass partition screen combined with settee sofa, one mahogany full size slate billiard table fitted with ball retainer by John Robert with balls, cues, marking board etc., in good order, large mirror back jardineers, fancy terra cotta figures, rich wooden pedestals, almyrahs, bedsteads, rich carpets, rich engravings, copper utensils, etc., etc. One 5 seated 2 cylinder "Hurtul" motor-car with magneto ignition, one handsome strong rubber tyred victoria.

Catalogues will be published and the property on view 4 days before the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE BUILDING PLOT, at the Corner of Shaik Memon and Abdul Rehman Street, opposite the Crawford Market.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th December 1911, at 4-30 p. m. (S.T.), sell by Public Auction, on the premises, the following very valuable building plot for the period of 999 years :—

Plot No. 115, admeasuring 749 sq. yards. Shops will be allowed on the above plots, and nahanis will be allowed near the rooms.

This plot is a very valuable plot fronting as it is on three roads and situated in one of the busiest localities of Bombay.

Architects interested in the plot are advised to consult the Trust Engineer, before the auction, regarding the development they may have in view in connection with the above plot.

For further particulars, auction and building conditions, form of lease, plants of the sites can be had on application to the Trust Engineer, Trust Buildings, Fort, or to the undersigned.

BENNETT & Co.
Bombay, 6th December, 1911.

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DAILY MARKET REPORT.

LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, DEC. 4.] [BOMBAY, DEC. 5.

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
3 1-2 per cent. Consols ...	77 7-16	Ex	1-8
do. Rentes ...	96	1-4	
3 1-2 do. Sterling Loan ...	93 1-2	unchgd	
1-2 do. Gov. securities ...	64 3-8	1-16	
Bar Silver in London ...	25 9-16		1-8
do. 2 months' hence ...	25 3-8		1-16
Bar silver in New York ...	55 3-8		1-4
Exchange on London at Paris ...	25·21 1-2	01	
do. do. at Berlin ...	20·46	unchgd	
do. do. New York ...	4·85 1-8		1-3
Discount Bank of England Rate ...	4 p.c.	since	
do. Short London Bills	21st Sept		
3 months' sight ...	3 5-8	unchgd	
do. Indian Bank Bills 6 months' sight ...	3 3-8	unchgd	
do. 3 months' Fine Trade Bills ...	4 1-8	unchgd	
do. 6 months' Fine Trade Bills ...	4 1-8	unchgd	
Interest day-to-day Loans ...	2 7-8	1-8	
do. 7 day Market Loans ...	3	unchgd	

Bar Gold 77-9 unchgd

Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate) 1 3 31-32 unchgd.

Closing Tone of Silver—Steady, buyers at the rates.

Amount paid into Bank of England about £100,000

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL—

Spot	Easier, fair demand.
Futures	... Steady.
East Indian	... .
Manchester	Buyers operating less freely.
Total Sales	... 12,000 bales
Sold on Speculation and for Export ...	6,000 „
Imports	... 10,000 „
Mid-Americans	... 5·61—02
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown	9 1-4 unchgd

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apr.	April-May
4·83 —02	4·85 —02	4·88 —02	4·88 —02	4·90 —02
May-June	June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.	
4·93 —01	4·95 —01	4·96 —01	4·96 —01	

New York official noon call Jan. 8-70, May 8-82 unchgd.

New Orleans 10 a. m. Jan. 8-83, May 8-97.

NEW YORK—

		Bales.
Receipts at all U. S. Ports	...	78,000
Receipts at U. S. last year	...	52,900
Exports to Great Britain	...	8,000
Exports to Continent	...	22,000
Spot Cotton—		...9·30+05

Futures—Month of Jan. 8·81+15 | Advanced on favourable cables and on bull support and shorts covering.

Futures—Month of May 8·97+15

NEW ORLEANS—

Spot Cotton	... 9 3-16 ib
Futures—Month of Jan.	... 8·94+14
Do. do May	... 9·18+13
Tone of Spot Cotton	... Firm.

WHEAT.

Wheat White Karachi ... 36 1-4

Do. Months—Dec.-Jan.

Do. Name of Ports—London—Value.

Wheat Red Karachi ... 35+1-4

Do. Months—Dec.-Jan.—London—Nominal.

Tone—Firm.

SOUTH AMERICAN.

Rosario Santa Fe-62lbs. ... 35 1-4

Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.—Sellers—Firm.

Barletta Russo 61 1-2lbs ... No Sellers.

Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.—Sellers

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN.

South Australian ... 35 3-4

Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.—Sellers.

Victorian ... 35 3-4

Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.—Sellers.

New South Wales ... 35 3-4

Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.—Sellers.

SEEDS.

RAPESEED—

Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs., 85 p.c. ex-ship ... Nominal.

Do. Months— ... .

Do. Name of Ports— ... .

Yellow Guzerat, per 416 lbs, 85 p. c. ex-ship ... Nominal

Do. Months—Nov.-Dec.

Do. Name of Ports.—Dunkirk—Value.

Brown Cawnpore ... .

Do. Months—Nominal

Do. Name of Ports—

Tone—Quiet.

LINSEED—

Bombay per 416 lbs ex-ship ... 53 1-4—1-2

Do. Months—Feb.-Mar.

Do. Name of Ports—Dunkirk—Value.

Tone—Easier.

Linseed Argentine—La Plata ... 55 1-4—1

Do. Months—Dec.-Jan.

Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp.—Value.

COTTONSEED—

Bombay Cottonseed £6-12-6.

Dec.-Jan.—Hull—Value.

Tone—Firm.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COFFEE—

In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality) ... ... 14 3-4—1-4

RUBBER—

Para Rubber ...4 5+1-2—Sellers.

...Jan—Sellers—Firm

METALS—

Copper Braziers	......	£ 70 1-2
Yellow Metal	......	d 6 3-16
Standard Copper G M B	......	£59 1-16

FREIGHT—

Coals—Cardiff r to Bombay] ... 12s.—Value

GOAT SKIN SALES.

Opened to-day with slow demand.

Goat skins offered 1,390,000.

Sheep skins 90,000.

Goat skins Bombay 1-2 to 1d lower.

Gat skins Madras 1d to 1 1-2d lower.

SUGAR—

German granulated sugar C. and F. India double bags ... 19-3—3

Do. Months of Shipment Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.

Tone—Dull, only limited viz.

Hungarian Crystals Sugar C & F India Nothing doing.

Do. Months of Shipments ... .

German Beet-root 88 p. c. 16-2—3-4

Months of Shipments ...Jan.

Tone—Opened flat, closed steady.

E A E & Similar Crystals C & F India 21 1 1-2—3-4

Months of Shipments ...Mar.-Aug.

Tone—Easier, very little doing.

Mauritius Crystal C & F Calcutta and Bombay ...16 7 1-2—11-2

Months of Shipments ...Dec.

Tone—Quiet.

Javas, General Tone—Inactive prices unchanged.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

TUESDAY EVENING.] [1st DEC. 1911.

EXPORTS OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY BY RAIL on 1st, 2nd & 3rd Dec., 1911.

By	Bars	Ounces
G I P Railway	22	25,426
B B and C I Railway ...	42	49,371

FINANCIAL.

EXCHANGE:—

The market opened firm at 1s. 4 1-32d. T. T., 1s. 4 1-16d. demand, and 1s. 4 9-32d. for 3 months' sight credits. There has been little doing to-day. Far Eastern rates are steady.

We quote:—

T. T. on London	...1s. 4 1-32d.
Demand Draft	...1s. 4 1-16d.
Credits 3 months' sight	...1s. 4 9-32d.
Do. do forward	...1s. 4 9-32d. Feb.
Do. do France	...171
Do. do Marks	...139 1-4
Hongkong 60 days' sight	...137 1-2
Shanghai „	...182 1-2
Japan „	...150

GOVERNMENT PAPER:—

The market opened at 96 5-16 for cash and 96 1-8 for the settlement and fluctuated slightly during the day closing at the opening rates as under. Only a small business has been done.

We quote:—

Cash	Rs.	96 5 0
Settlement	„	96 2 0

BULLION:—

Yesterday Bar Silver in London closed 1-8 lower for ready at 25 9-16 and 1-16 lower for delivery in two months at 25 3-8. New York was 1-4 down at 55 3-8. The local market opened easier and closes as under. Bar gold is steady.

We quote:—

English Bar Gold	Rs	23 15 0
Australian „	„	23 15 0
Sovereigns „	„	14 15 0
Silver Ready ex-duty ...	„	64 3 0
„ 1st Settlement ...	„	64 4 0
„ 2nd	„	64 4 0

COTTON.

MARKET REPORT:—

The advance in America caused a firmer feeling here, and good Broach opened at Rs. 254-55. At the advance export houses were sellers and at Colaba the tone of the market was easier and prices gave way a little, closing at 6 p. m. as under. Only a moderate business has been done in contracts, the bazaar being buyers.

Ready cotton continues quiet but steady. The demand is moderate and prices are maintained.

QUOTATIONS:—

NEW CROP.

Good M G Broach	Rs.	253 1-2	March
Fine M G Wardha Hingunghat	„	254	Jan.
Fine M G Nagpur	„	252	„
Fine M G Yeotmal	„	250	„
Fine M G Dhamangaon-Pulgaon	„	248	„
Fine M G Khamgaon-Akola...	„	245	„
Fine M G Khandeish ...	„	237	„
F. G. M. G. Khandeish ...	„	231	„
Fine M. G. Bengal	„	250-1	Dec.
Fine M G Bengal	„	244	Jan.
F. G. H. G. Bengal	„	227-8	„

LIVERPOOL OPENER:—

Opening Tone	Firm.
Estimated Sales	8,000 bales
Total Imports	27,000 „

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April.	
4·88 +05	4·90 +05	4·91 +05	4·94 +06	
Apl.-May.	May-June	June-July.	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
4·95 +05	4·98 +05	5·00 +05	5·02 +06	5·01 +05

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED:—

The market is easier. We quote:—

Ready ...	Rs.	11 11 0 B.T.
April-May ...	„	10 4 0 B.T.

RAPESEED:—

The market is quiet. We Quote:—

Brown Cawnpore ready...	Rs.	7 15 0 B.T.
Yellow Guzerat ready ...	„	8 12 0 „
Brown Delhi A.-M. ...	„	8 1 0 B.T.

GINGELLYSEED:—

Tone—Steady. We quote:—

White Khandeish ...	Rs.	58 0 0
Bold White 85 p.c. ...	„	56 0 0
Black Kutni ...	„	47 8 0
Red Jubbalpore ...	„	52 0 0

POPPYSEED:—

Tone—Quiet but steady. We quote:—

Ready ... Rs. 10 10 0 B. T.

CASTORSEED:—

Tone—Steady. We quote:—

Ready ...	Rs.	7 6 0 B.T.
Apl-May ...	„	35 8 0 B.T.

COTTONSEED:—

Tone—Quiet. We quote:—

New Crop ... Rs 25 8 0

MOWRASEED:—

Tone—Steady. We quote:—

Ready ... Rs. 7 14 0 B. T.

WHEAT:—

The market is quiet but steady. We quote:—

White Pissi ready 85 p.c.	Rs.	5 0 0 B. T.
„ Delhi A.-M. ...	„	5 3 0 „

SHARES.

BANKS.

Bank of Bombay	1,762 1-2
Bank of India	66 1-2
Eastern Bank	80
Indian Specie	50 1-2

MILLS.

David	415
Kohinoor	750
Maneckji Petit	2,700
Standard	1,160

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bombay E. S. & T. C. Ordinary ...	149 1-2
Bombay E. S. & T. C. Preference...	174
Bombay S N Co Ord.	282 1-2
Colaba Land and Mill	1,220

RAILWAY.

Tapti-Valley	505

THREE DAYS' RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Produce into Bombay, during the 72 hours ending at 6 p.m., yesterday:—

Cotton	12,955	bales
Wheat	9,757	cwts.
Linseed	670	„
Rapeseed	80	„
Gingellyseed	28,279	„
Poppyseed	82	„
Groundnuts...	10,478	„
Castorseed	5,440	„
Rice	7,656	„
Myrabollams	303	„
Cottonseed	20,117	„
Mowraseed	1,405	„
Gram	3,564	„
Joowar	708	„
Maize	2,478	„

THE WEATHER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, DEC. 5.

The depression which is crossing South Peninsula is in a very much reduced condition. Rainfall continued in South Madras. The principal amounts are:—Amraoti and Trichinopoly three inches; Cuddalore, four; Ootacamund, and Madura, one; Negapatam and Kodaikanal, a half. Cloudy weather persists in West Persia.

Forecast.—No change.

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 5th OF DECEMBER.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Tuesday, the 5th December, 1911, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are lightly clouded in the extreme north and clear elsewhere. The moisture in the air is in defect at Sirsa and either equal to or above the average elsewhere. Temperature is in slight defect.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is nearly normal. Temperature continues in defect.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear. The air is generally drier than usual. Night temperature is in defect in Sind and north Rajputana.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is generally in defect. Temperature is in slight excess in West Central India, south Gujarat and on the south Kathiawar Coast.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. The moisture in the air is either equal to or above the average. Temperature is approximately normal.

The Konkan.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. Humidity is in defect at Ratnagiri. Temperature is in excess in the north Konkan.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded. The moisture in the air is in defect in south Hyderabad and either equal to or above the average elsewhere. Night temperature continues in excess.

General Remarks.—The cyclone in the Bay of Bengal has crossed the Madras Coast, but has filled up considerably; it is shown to-day only as an area of relatively low pressure over the Madras Deccan. Rainfall has been nearly general in the extreme southern districts of the Peninsula, Trichinopoly recording 2·80." Light rain has fallen also at Madras and Cuddapah. Weather is slightly unsettled on the Malabar Coast also.

Fairly general and light rain is likely in the extreme south of the Peninsula, and local rain in the Madras Deccan and Mysore and possibly in south Hyderabad.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The reading of the barometer at the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 32° F. and for Calcutta standard at 8 a.m. (local time) 5th December, was 29·968 inches. The height of Observatory barometer cistern above zero of the tide gauge at Apollo Bunder is 47 feet. The height of tide in the stream above zero of the tide gauge was 13 feet at 8 a.m. (local time). The temperature correction for a mercurial barometer, supposing the reading to be 30·00 inches and that of the attached thermometer 80 deg. F. will be 14in. and this will be higher or lower by 01 inch for each 4 degrees. In the case of the aneroid no temperature correction is required. Should the height of barometer cistern either mercurial or aneroid above zero of tide gauge be different from 47 feet, it will read higher or lower by 01 inch for each 11 feet. The readings above are distinct from those given in the daily weather report to which different corrections have been applied.

H. A. ARMSTRONG,
Meteorologist, Bombay.

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Via Suez Perfect.	Via Suez Perfect.	Via Direct Cable Perfect.	......	Via Bhamo Interrupted.	Via Lisbon St. Vincent Perfect.

Latest dates of Foreign Messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 5th December, 1911.

(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time Occupied in Transmission Hrs.	Mts.
Turkey......	4	6	p. m	10	14
Teheran ...	5	3	30 a. m.	—	51
Suez.........	5	1	15 p. m.	1	32

NOTICES.

Telegrams for Arizpe, Babicora, Ityres, Huimanguillo, and Cunduacan will not be accepted until further notice (14-4-11).

Telegrams for Morocco are subject to very great delay and can only be accepted at sender's risk. (18-8-11.)

Telegrams for all places in interior of China, excepting stations on the coast, booked by routes other than Bhamo, can be accepted at sender's risk. (25-10-11.)

Bhamo route to China is entirely closed to traffic for present (1-11-11).

Until further notice telegrams (code) for Turkey cannot be admitted (13-10-11).

Italian administration notify that telegrams for Tripoli are admitted only in plain language and at sender's risk.

As an exceptional measure short telegrams in cipher or code language are also admitted if forwarded via Italy and if those concerned deposit two copies of their code one at the Telegraph Office at Rome and the other at the Tripoli Telegraph Office (20-10-11).

It is further notified that the maximum number of words which can be sent in code or cipher Telegrams is fixed at twenty-five (24-10-11.)

Ramhormuz Line Interrupted to Ahwaz since 7 a.m. (31-10-11.)

Bushire reports messages for Ahway and Mohammerah should not be marked "by post over interrupted section." There is no postal service over interrupted section and line is not likely to be restored until next April or May. Therefore all messages for those stations should only be accepted "Post Bushire." Mail for Mohammerah and Ahwaz leaves Bushire every Wednesday morning and post messages for those places should reach here not later than 6 p.m. Standard on Tuesday (4-12-11).

Teheran reports meshed line interrupted since 27th (28-11-11).

Turkish route restored (5-12-11).

Teheran route interrupted between Kirtch and Odessa. (5-12-11).

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcement of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM NOTICES, which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender, Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8as. for every additional line. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

DEATH.

SHEPHERD—November 19, at Jullundur, Edith Ivy, the dearly loved wife of Captain Claude Shepherd, 53rd Sikhs (Frontier Force.)

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Old Bombay Exhibition.

Excelsior Cinematograph Novelty Theatre, Special Attractions,—"The King's Procession." Four shows nightly, 5-30 to 6-45, 7 to 8, 8-30 to 9-30, 10 to 11 p.m. Exhibition Cinematograph, continuous performance.

Skating Rink, Practice Session, 8 to 9 a. m. Ladies only, 9-30 to 10-30 a. m. Evening session 6 to 8 p.m.

Maxim: "The pitcher that goes often to such a well as speculation, is pretty sure to be broken at last."—H. Stowell Brown.

ENGLISH MAILS.

ARRIVAL.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. "Salsette," with the English mails of the 24th November, left Aden at 2 a.m., on Sunday, and is expected to arrive in Bombay harbour at 5 a.m., on Friday.

DEPARTURE.

The P. and O. Co's mail steamer "Salsette" leaves Bombay harbour at 2-39 p.m., on Saturday.

REPORTED THEFT:—Kashinath Vishwanath, a Customs broker, residing on the fourth floor of a house in the Nagdevi Street, reports that his place was broken into some time during Monday night, and a tin-trunk containing ornaments of the value of Rs. 1,605 stolen.

FALL FROM A HEIGHT.—One Takaram Dharma, a Hindu, aged 25, was arranging some bunting on the roof of the Yacht Club Chambers on Monday, when his foot slipped and he fell on to the ground below, a height of about a hundred and twenty feet, and was killed on the spot. His body was disposed of by the police, as the case was an accident.

FIRE IN NISHANPADA.—A fire broke out on Monday evening, on the first floor of a house belonging to Haji Bachoo Ali at Nishanpada, in which was stored a quantity of coir ropes and packing-cases. The Fire Brigade came up quickly and extinguished the fire. The damage is estimated at Rs. 1,200. The cause of the fire has not been ascertained.

FATAL FALL.—A carpenter, named Solomon Sambon, aged 35, was engaged in removing some scaffolding, from a newly-built house at Duncan Road, on Monday, when he fell from the scaffolding, a height of some thirty-five feet, into a basket of plantains belonging to a hawker, who was sitting on the foot-path at the time. The man injured his spine and was removed to hospital, where he died on Monday night.

TRAMCAR ACCIDENT.—Sergeant Rundall of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment attempted to board tramcar, No. 35 at Churney Road whilst in motion and slipped and fell. His left foot got under one of the wheels, but fortunately no bones were broken. The flesh was however cut from the ball of the big toe right up to the calf. He was removed to the station hospital at Colaba.

BAND AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of Lt.-Col. H. A. Lempriere, D. S. O., the Band of the 7th (Princess Royal's) Dragoon Guards will play the following programme under the direction of Mr. C. Cornfield, L. R. A. M., Bandmaster, at the Bombay Gymkhana between 6 and 8 p.m.:—

Grand March	Nibelungen	Wagner
Gavotte	Weymouth Chimes	Howgill
Grand Selection	La Boheme	Puccini
Valse	Lustige Bruder	Volstedt
Overture	Tannhauser	Wagner
	Interval.	
Three Dances from Tom Jones		German
Overture	William Tell	Rossini
Intermezzo from Cav. Rusticana		Mascagni
Selection	The Country Girl	Monckton
Caprice	The Whistler and his Dog	Pryor

THE TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

The Vienna Correspondent of the "Times," writing on Nov. 13, says:—

Utterances in the Press and opinions privately expressed by public men and diplomatists confirm the impression that beneath the changing phases of the present European situation, the future of the Triple Alliance is being determined. In no responsible quarter is the belief entertained that the existence of the Alliance need be seriously threatened, but it is claimed that the crisis may affect the internal structure of the Alliance, and possibly its centre of gravity. The Alliance consists of Austro-German, Austro-Italian, and Italo-German Treaties. The Austro-German Treaty has been published. The others remain secret. In the "Neues Pester Journal" an article, undoubtedly contributed by Baron Doczi, sometime secretary of Count Julius Andrassy the elder, and afterwards director of the Austro-Hungarian Press Bureau, "demands the publication of the Austro-Italian Treaty in order that it may be seen what the reciprocal obligations of the contracting parties are, whether the idea of benevolent neutrality goes so far as to oblige a State like Austria-Hungary to tolerate its ally's action, when that action, threatens its interests and the peace of neighbouring territories, "and weather an Alliance with clearly defined defensive objects, gives to one allied State the right to carry on agressive war in such quarters as possibly, to compel the other ally to mobilize as a measure of precaution."

Simultaneously with this article—which appears to be inspired by the apprehensions entertained in pro-German quarters in regard to Italian naval operations in the Ægean, but need not be interpreted as an outcome of Austro-Hungarian official suggestions—appears an equally unofficial, but not less significant, utterance, in a leading weekly Journal, that asks plainly whether the bellicose Pan-Germanism and Anglophobia displayed in the German Reichstag and encouraged by the German Crown Prince are to be taken as indicating a German policy different from the pacific policy which the Austro-German Alliance was concluded to support. The Austro-Hungarian Monarchy, says this article will not be a party to a Pan-German war. "The Triple Alliance is an alliance of peace concluded between pacific States to defend the peace of Europe. It can only exist if the German people does not permit its love of peace to be disturbed by incendiaries."

A semi-official weekly organ maintains, on the other hand, and apparently without irony, the paradoxical thesis that the attacks on the German Chancellor constitute a success for the German Emperor since they show how widespread in Germany is the desire for Naval and Colonial expansion which the Emperor William has ever striven to promote. They prove that "the ideas of William II. have become a common possession of the German nation."

Amid these various and conflicting tendencies there are in Austria-Hungary two reassuring elements—the determination of the Emperor Francis Joseph to maintain peace, and the prudent and farsighted policy towards Italy followed, in pursuance of that determination, by Count Aehrenthal, despite the distressing perversity of a Press which has striven to neutralize the beneficial effect of official discernment and to undermine the very basis of the Triple Alliance.

AS refreshing as a plunge in the surf is the general verdict on Dr. Benach's Spearmint Dentifrice Creme, the favourite dentifrice of the Americans. Cleanses and beautifies the teeth, strengthens the gums and destroying germs purifies the breath. Tooth Elexir is for those who prefer liquid. Samples and literature post free, from MADON SONS and Co., Crawford Market, Bombay.

SPORTING NEWS.

BOMBAY 1st EXTRA MEETING.

(Saturday 9th December).

The following entries were closed at 6 p.m., on Monday 4th December:—

THE DECEMBER PLATE. Distance 5 furlongs.

Mr. F. N. Fardoonjee's Yvette (5 years).
Mr. R. G. Balcock's Lady Obie by Obligado—Cytherea (3 years).
Mr. G. K's Huka (aged).
Mr. R. R. S's Metal Girl (6 years).
Mr. Homi Bilimoria's Bright Metal (aged).

THE ARAB PLATE. Distance about 7 furlongs.

Mr. Ali bin Talib's Rozelmulook (4 years).
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Money Gold (4 years).
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's Shawcutt (6 years).
Mr. M. Goculdass' One Thousand (4 years).
Mr. Zaid bin Mahomed's Harry Johnson (4 years).
Mr. A. R. Dakeel's Bonaparte (4 years).
Mr. Frederick's Bussee (4 years).
Mr. Habib's Bashir (6 years).
Mr. G. K's. Submit (4 years).
Mr. Beg's Mysore (4 years).
Mr. Ebrahim bin Zaid's Sardinia (4 years).
Mr. H. Jamsetjee's St. Hilarion (4 years).

THE AUCTION PLATE. Distance 1-2 mile.

Mr. A. S. Oomer's Zuffer Beg 14-0 Rs. 500.
Mr. Nasar Abdoola's Flying Machine, 14-0 Rs. 500.
Mr. Sher B. A. Ibrahim's Leader, 13-2 Rs. 500.
Mr. Habib's Sinclair, 13-3 3-4 Rs. 500.
Mr. D. G. Dhere's Little Sanaya, 13-3 Rs. 700.
Mr. Beg's Sharar, 13-2 1-2 Rs. 500.
Mr. Aboobaker A. Rehman's Good Evening 13-2 1-4 Rs. 600.
Mr. Yusuff bin Essa's Ordinary, 13-2 1-2 Rs. 800
Mr. Beg's Happy Land, 13-2 1-4 Rs. 800.
Mr. Julian's Cocaine, 13-2 Rs. 800.
Mr. Jassim M. Essa's Nasebdar, 13-3 Rs. 600.

THE ARAB PONY TRIAL PLATE. Distance 6 furlongs.

Mr. A. S. Oomer's Ashroff, 14-0.
Mr. A. S. Oomer's Chechan, 13-3.
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Soomsam late Vazir, 14-0.
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Singer, 13 3 3-4.
Mr. Abdoolla Faras' Order, 13 2 3-4.
Mr. Dawood Amam's Shihab, 13 2 1-2.
Mr. M. Goculdas' Jehangir, 14-0.
Mr. S. A. Wahed's Maa-al, 13 3 3-4.
Mr. Zaid bin Mahomed's Makeb, 14-0.
Mr. Mujeed Jurjis' Little Laffy, 13 3 1-2.
Mr. Bampfylde's Young Thara, 13 3 1-2.
Mr. Eastwood's Dilkhush, 13 3 1-2,
Mr. J. M. Mistry's Brazee, 14-0,
Mr. Habib's Sinclair, 13 3 3-4.
Mr. J. R. Raja's Mezahim, 13-3.
Mr. Beg's Creditor, 13 2 3-4.
Mr. R. R. S' Majesty, 13-3.

THE LITTLE ARAB PLATE. Distance 5 furlongs.

Mr. Ali bin Talib's Chichester, 13-3.
Mr. Abdool Aziz Essa's Grequa, 13 1 1-4.
Mr. Kadoo bin Saleh's Heshan, 13 2 1-4.
Mr. M. Goculdass' Kimberley, 13-3.
Mr. Thimble's Fairplay, 13-3.
Mr. Dawood Amani's Shihab, 13 2 1-2.
Mr. J. Crawford's Dilerjung, 13 3.
Mr. J. R. Raja's Mezahim, 13-3.
Mr. Beg's Creditor, 13 2 3-4.
Mr. Beg's Sharar, 13 2 1-2.
Mr. Aboobaker A. Rehman's Good Evening, 13 2 1-4.
Mr. R. R. S' Senseless, 13-3.
Mr. Beg's Happy Land, 13 2 1-4.
Mr. Julian's Cocaine, 13-2.
Mr. Ebrahim bin Zaid's Chaman, 13-2.

THE NOVICE PLATE. Distance 6 furlongs.

Messrs. A. K. Dakayel and A. M. Shamlan's Once More, 13 3 3-4.
Mr. Valjee Moosajee's Turkish General, 13-3.
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Soomsam late Vazir, 14-0.
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Gold Belt, 13 3 1-2.
Mr. Nasar Abdoola's Papa, 13 2 1-4.
Mr. M. Goculdass' Seven Fifty, 13 3 1-2.
Mr. S. A. Wahed's Zahaf, 13-3.
Mr. Bampfylde's St. Anthony, 14-0.
Mr. Bampfylde's War Eagle, 13 3 1-2.
Mr. Eastwood's Little Hero, 13 2 1-2.
Mr. Syed Rashid's Chin Chin, 13 3 3-4.
Mr. S. Ebrahim's Sooltanal Mulook, 14-0.
Mr. A. R. Lavand's Sidick, 13 3 1-4.
Mr. Faraj bin Sanad's Dushant, 13-3.
Mr. P. R. Naik's Agent, 13 2 1-2.
Mr. R. R. S's Red Monk, 13 3 1-2.
Mr. Mahmood Shiraze's Zomat 13 3 1-2.
Mr. A. M. Mana's Sirkar, 13 3 1-4.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.

The following races will be sailed on Saturday the 9th December 1911, all entries must reach the Honorary Secretary Sailing Committee before 6-30 p.m. on Thursday the 7th instant:—

"A"—3-30 p.m.—A mark boat off Malabar Point, to a mark boat at Varsova Creek.

"B"—3-20 p.m.—A mark boat off Malabar Point, to a mark boat at Varsova Creek.

"C"—3-10 p.m.—Committee Vessel—S. Karanja Buoy to port—N. Karanja Buoy to port—Committee Vessel.

Ships' Boats—3 p.m.—Course No. 3.

RAILWAY RETURNS.

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

The following is the comparative statement of Traffic earnings for week ending 18th November.

	Miles Open.	Total for the period.	Earnings for previous week	Total to date.
Approximate earngs. for week ending 18th Nov. 1911				
G. I. P. Ry. Including I. M. Ry. System...	2791·34	1734100	21278378	23007478
A.-D.-C. Ry......	125·66	67500	735196	802696
Baran Kotah By.	40·29	5700	73039	78739
Total...	2957·29	1807300	22081613	23888913
Earnings for correspg. 7 days ending 18th Nov. 1910				
G. I. P. Ry. Including I. M. R. System ...	2783·93	1317167	19070201	20387368
A.-D.-C. Ry. ...	125·66	39045	601677	640722
B.-K. Ry.........	40·29	1489	40426	41915
Total	2949·88	1357701	19712304	21070005
Inc. or Dec. G.I.P.R. Incg.I.M. R.System	+ 7·41	+416933	+2208177	+2620110
A.D.C.R.	......	+ 28455	+133519	+161947
Baran-Kotah R.	......	+ 4211	+ 32613	+ 36824

NOTE.—Corrected with Audited figures upto 30th Sept

NAGDA-MUTTRA RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the weekended 8th Nov. on 339·35 miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (Estimated.)	Total Earnings.
Total Traffic for the week.........	Rs. 13,000	Rs. 25,000	Rs.	Rs. 38,000
Or per mile of Railway..........	38	74	... ...	112
For previous 19 weeks of half year	2,78,471	5,28,634	2,993	8,10,098
Total for 20 weeks	2,91,471	5,53,634	2,993	8,48,098
COMPARISON. Total for corresponding week of previous year	12,161	16,560	......	28,721
Per mile of Ry..	36	49	......	85
Total to corresponding date...	3,39,811	2,67,996	4,332	6,12,139

Increase for the week ....Rs. 9,2 79

Do, to date ....Rs. 2,35,9 59

EDUCATION IN INDIA.

At a meeting of the East India Association, held on Nov. 13, at the Caxton Hall, Sir Roland K. Wilson delivered a lecture on Compulsory Education in India. Mr. J. H. Levy presided.

The introduction of Mr. Gokhale's Bill, said the lecturer, marked to some extent a new departure. One argument had overshadowed all others in the oratory of the supporters of that Bill. Why, they asked, did India lag behind other civilised nations? And they hinted that it was because India had not, like all other civilised nations, adopted compulsory and gratuitous education. But the mere fact that this was one of the legislative fashions just now in vogue was a very insufficient proof of its being a good fashion, even for those who were now practising it, still less that it was suitable for transplantation to countries where the conditions were different. Mr. Gokhale, it was true, laid stress on the system having been adopted by the United States Government in the Philippines, by our own Government in the Crown Colony of Ceylon, and in India itself by the feudatory ruler of Baroda, but all these experiments were much too recent to be as successes. It would, at all events, be time enough to consider them when we had satisfied ourselves concerning the results of compulsory education in our own and other advanced communities. The good results lay on the surface, and had been abundantly advertised. The fact that nearly the whole of the juvenile population was kept out of mischief during some five hours of every week-day (with the rather important exception of the holidays) undoubtedly conduced materially to the comfort of their elders, but as for the statistic of illiteracy the larger part of the present superiority of England in respect of elementary education had already been attained before the passing of those drastic measures of taxation and compulsion on the adoption of which, we were now told, India's national educational salvation depended. Before we could arrive at any useful conclusion as to the effects of compulsory education in this country we must take into account all the other legal and social changes making for general improvement. Even as regarded the mere reading habit, and the wide diffusion of general information, who was to decide how much was due to the repeal of the paper duty and the democratising of the Constitution the one facilitating the supply and the other accentuating the demand for cheap journalism? Moreover the influences at work in England for the dimunition of crime and the improvement of manners during the last three-quarters of a century, legislative, political, religious, and literary had been so varied, apart from the work of the Education Department, that the real puzzle was why the improvement had not been greater than that shown by statistics. The cost of compulsory education for the United Kingdom was 30,000,000l. a year, or 13s. 4d. per head of the population. For us, as a democratically-governed people, there was at least the redeeming feature that this heavy taxation could not be imposed except by the consent of the majority, but in India, which was autocratically governed, there could be no such presumption. (Hear, hear.)

In a discussion which followed, the Chairman said he agreed in the main with the lecturer, although he objected to the term gratuitous education. It should be called tax-supported education. Such education was largely a mere fetish. In the olden time many of the barons who obtained Magna Charta could not write, and had to make their mark. Nowadays there were plenty of men who could write very well but could not make their mark. (Laughter).

More than one Indian gentleman present expressed approval of Mr. Gokhale's Bill, but the general opinion of the other speakers was that India was too poor to be able to bear the cost of compulsory education.

THE LADIES' CORNER.

THE MANTEAU DE DOGE.

Among the subtleties that please women of refined, if not exotic, tastes, says a lady correspondent, are the dainty touches the dressmakers of to-day are bestowing upon the linings of coats, mantles, muffs, stoles, and other details of apparel. The fancy is exemplified by many of the materials that are seen. Ratine, a prominent favourite amongst woollen fabrics, is in numbers of editions two-sided in colour, so that the material can be fashioned into coats that can be worn first one side outermost and then the other. The double-faced satins are another novelty of the kind, but it is with linings, understanding the word in the old-fashioned manner, that we are at present concerned.

A QUAINT CONCEIT.

One of the smartest of fur neckties has a lining of dark blue velvet striped with dull gold galon. The stripes are added only here and there as if haphazard, which enhances the amusing effect they produce. A quaint conceit in lining effects is applied to a mantle of gold tissue patterned with faded blue and rose flowers. When the cloak is thrown over a restaurant chair or the back of a theatre stall, it is seen that a very broad band of gold lace insertion is passed from one side to the other across the inner side of the mantle upon the waist-line, dividing the billowing tulle that makes a background for the sumptuous tissue. Another curious and attractive item of the band of gold lace is that the edges are covered with deep rose velvet put on like a binding, with a certain crudeness of stitchery that makes it look very ancient.

A TEA-GOWN OF EGYPTIAN CREPE.

Again, the same care for detail is observed in a teagown, fraught with grace and of fascinating attraction, which is developed in Egyptian crepe of a soft sulphur colour, with a lining of sand crepe, striped with a dull gold galon inside the wide sleeves, and at the corners of the deep sailor collar, which conveys the lining material to the outside of the design. The teagown is girdled with a heavy dull gold cord wrought in large arabesques on the left hip and finished by enormous tassels.

THE FABRIC FROM INDIA.

The sumptuous splendour of the evening mantles of to-day, merits a word or two of emphasis. The splendours of the East are manifest in a cloak of rose pink and gold broche, a material that surely must have hailed from India. The cloak has large sleeves which are one of the characteristics of the new fashions, and they are edged with opossum, which fur provides an enormous collar and binds the fronts of the coat. Fashion has sanctioned a riotous array of dyes for evening wear, and the stalls of the theatres are blazing with splendour. Quite the most modish colour is a vivid purple, but I hear rumours already of a short life if a merry one for that all-conquering hue, so that those who want to wear it should do so quickly.

INSPIRATIONS—MODERN AND ANTIQUE.

There are some wonderful devices also in daytime mantles, which it would ill become me to pass over without comment. For the automobile there is a fold-over coast of soft ochre satin, with a deep cloth hem of the same shade embroidered with steel arabesques and knots of scarlet hips and haws. The lining, which is displayed outside in the form of a big roll collar, is made of steel coloured satins, which is most effective against the ochre. A Venetian cloak, called the manteau de Doge impresses me favourably. It is a sumptuous affair of cloth of silver embroidered all over to match and lined with Chinese rose satin. Much of the lining is displayed and principally in front but the shoulders are weighted with the regal silver, a shimmering drapery of which cascades to the hem of the skirt.

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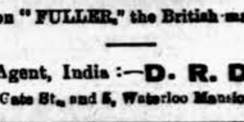

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The Anchor Line steamer Massilia, 3,250 tons, Captain J. Thompson, sailed yesterday for Marseilles and Liverpool, with a general cargo and passengers.

The Hansa Line steamer Scharzfels, 3,533 tons, Captain A. Strycker, sailed yesterday for Hamburg &c., with a general cargo.

The B. I. S. N. Co's steamer Malda, 1,257 tons, Captain H. Bamber, will sail to-day for the Persian Gulf via Karachi, with a general cargo and passengers.

The Royal Indian Marine steamer Lawrence, Commander F. V. de Burgh, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Bushire, which port she left on the 23rd November, with Government stores and 6 passengers.

The steamer Brookby, 2,371 tons, Captain M. S. Thompson, arrived in harbour yesterday from Buenos Ayres, via Durban in ballast.

The Rubattino Line steamer Deo Balduino, 2,684 tons, Captain D. Maganzini, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Genoa, November 17th, with a generel cargo and passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Co's steamer Chanda, 3,957 tons, Captain J. G. Tice, sailed yesterday, for Antwerp, with a general cargo.

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H M S Defence......Capt H H Bruce Royal Navy
H M S Cochrane....Capt W E Goodenough...Royal Navy
H M S Argyll......Capt M Clume-Sayour...Royal Navy
H M S Natal......Capt Clement Greatorex...R Navy
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VESSELS IN DOCK.—Dec. 5.
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30 ton crane
Gallea ....555 Wratt ....Repairing... J Mackintosh & Co

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessels	Commanders	From
4	H M S Proserpine	Hill	Colombo
5	Deo Balduino	Maganzini	Genoa, Nov 17
	Brookby	Thompson	B. Ayres, Oct 25
	R I M S Lawrence	De Burgh	Bushire, Nov 23

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commanders.	Destination.
5	Lhasa	Manley	Karachi, &c
	Massilia	Thomson	Liverpool
	Scharzfels	Strycker	Hamburg
	Chanda	Tice	Antwerp.

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" Brookby, for Philadelphia.
" Tosa Maru, for China, &c.

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Wednesday, 6th December, 1911.

THE ROYAL VISIT.

THE King has come and the King has gone, and we ought really to have the streets cleared, open fully to traffic at once, and to get to the serious business of life again. But it appears, we are to have four or five more days' holiday from to-morrow, which will bring us so near Christmas that it must be quite a month before Bombay can resume its normal condition and get its nose fairly well down to the grindstone. However the streets might be cleared of obstructions without delay, for although the King will return, to go to the "Medina" the evening before she sails, the departure is private and every obstruction in the way of a flagstaff or a minaret may be removed without offence—the arches in the Esplanade Road perhaps being left as a concession to the wishes of the small minority. The amphitheatre might well be demolished and the Apollo Bunder thrown open to the public which has been sufficiently long inconvenienced. We have given the King-Emperor and Queen-Empress a hearty welcome and the enthusiastic loyalty displayed on every hand was both spontaneous and sincere, Indians particularly having been more than ordinarily demonstrative. There has been no outcry or complaint, no sign of impatience of the interruption to business or the delay to private persons caused by the closing of roads to traffic. Each and every man has recognised the necessity of such precautionary measures as have been taken and every one is thankful that the visit has passed off so well. The people who have paid towards entertainments and festivals and functions which they have not taken part in, or even seen, have this time the satisfaction of having come into close personal contact with both Emperor and Empress and are content. We congratulate officialdom, both civil and military, on the success which has been achieved. There has not been one hitch in their arrangements from first to last and it is good to know that their Majesties were more than satisfied. If there were one or two trifling mistakes, such as the failure to recognise the Viceroy—whom Bombay does not know and rarely ever sees except between the Apollo Bunder and Victoria Terminus—if an official has donned a coat or a helmet or an order when it was unnecessary, according to the orders of the day, these were matters which troubled not the King or his representatives, though perhaps they caused consternation to court flunkeys, who in this matter of welcoming the monarch count for so little as a red coated chaprassi. The thing is the Sovereign was delighted with his reception and Bombay has every reason to be proud of the manner in which it carried out its programme. If the proceedings at Delhi, where everyone has been on the spot for months past, pass off with comparatively as little contretemps or incident, it will be something to marvel at. If there is bickering we would urge the suspension of the functions of the Lord Chamberlain and advise responsible officers to close both eyes and ears, to do what they believe to be their duty, according to the best of their lights and follow the dictates of commonsense rather than of cut and dried routine. The main point is to get their Majesties safely and comfortably through their tour and then thank God they have been enabled to do so.

Bombay has done its duty in every possible way, and nothing on the part of its people or its officials has been wanting. Through the instrumentality of the Governor we have had a finer military display than ever was seen before in the city. Through the efforts of the Sheriff, supported by a numerous and energetic committee, we have had decorations and illuminations far above the average of London at the time of the Coronation. Through the untiring zeal of the Police we have had an absence of disorder and of cognisable crime such as has not been equalled elsewhere, while traffic has been regulated with remarkable freedom from accident. By the good-will and enthusiasm of the people we have had public manifestations of loyalty which far exceeded all expectations. Bombay, we repeat, has given the King and Queen a right hearty welcome and this is rightly regarded at Home as auguring well for the whole tour.

Is Bombay as fully satisfied with the King's visit as the King with his reception? Have we seen as much of him as we anticipated and has his Majesty been among us as much as we were led to expect? In the first place we are disappointed that he did not land immediately on arrival and stay ashore with us. We were dissatisfied that the royal yacht was moored in such an obscure position and hidden away at its moorings by one and then two great vessels, which rendered it invisible even to those who were privileged to make use of the Bunder. Many people were disappointed at the simple raiment affected by his Majesty. They would have preferred to "see the King in a golden crown" and if not in regal robes, at least in the full dress of a Field Marshal with an abundance of orders on his tunic. They would have preferred to have him perform some work of public usefulness, such as opening a museum or a college, cutting the first sod of a railway, laying the foundation-stone of a hospital or a new cathedral, or driving in the first pile of the Back Bay reclamation works. His Majesty might well have inaugurated the construction of the new Eastern Avenue. But unfortunately, there was nothing of the kind to afford his Majesty employment ashore. All that we asked him to do he did—and more. We counted on his receiving an address, but we had no right to expect that he would reply to it. Yet his Majesty did. And a very graceful reply it was. "From Bombay I set forth in 1905, encouraged by your affectionate welcome to traverse at any rate a part of this vast country and to strive to gain some knowlege of its people. Such knowledge as I acquired could not but deepen my sympathy with all races and creeds, and when through the lamented death of my beloved father, I was called to the throne of my ancestors, one of my first and most earnest desires was to revisit my good subjects in India." Then his Majesty drove the length of the island on Sunday and made the acquaintance of local officials, showed his sympathy for the over-worked soldier by dismissing the troops which he thought were unnecessarily lining the Queen's road to Malabar Hill; entertained the provincial magnates at two dinner parties; worshipped with us at the Cathedral, came ashore in a blazing sun and visited the Children's Fete at an hour when European residents would have sought the shade, and after visiting Elephanta, let himself be seen again on his departure for Delhi last night. Yes, we have as much reason to be satisfied with the King's visit as his Majesty has to be with our welcome and we may congratulate ourselves on the mutual satisfaction which has prevailed during the past few days and on the pleasant recollections they have left behind.

ROYALTY'S FAVOURITE DIVINE. THE late Canon Shore was an ecclesiastic very acceptable to Royalty and was Chaplain to three sovereigns in succession being popular in their households. The late King Edward had very high opinion of his ability and character and put his daughters under him for religious instruction. With the present King he was also a favourite, and his death following so closely upon that of Canon Duckworth, a few weeks ago, is a sad loss to his Majesty's household. He got the Canon's stall in Worcester Cathedral twenty-one years ago, a little before Dr. Yeatman-Bigge was made bishop of that diocese. He got no higher promotion in the Church probably because he lacked administrative qualities. He was a good popular preacher and many of his sermons are of permanent importance. With the great publishing firm of Messrs. Cassell he was for long connected as their literary adviser in religious books, and also wrote much for their great undertakings like their well known Bible Commentary edited by the late Bishop Elliott to which he contributed a lucid exposition of the first book of Corinthians, and also their very popular Bible Educator. A son of his, Mr. William Shore, has continued this connection with Messrs. Carsell for whom he has done much literary work. Canon Shore's family has a long hereditary connexion with India which is kept up in the present generation by one of his sons who is a missionary in Bengal. His grand-uncle, Sir John Shore, was Governor-General of India from 1793 till 1798, and is well-known in history as the real author of the Permanent Settlement which Lord Cornwallis introduced into Bengal during his first Governor-Generalship. Shore was member of the Supreme Council then, and on account of his great abilities and wide knowledge of Indian affairs, especially of revenue matters, Cornwallis successfully recommended him as his successor in the Governor-General ship. His rule was inglorious. It was a period of peace no doubt, but of peace pregnant with costly and dangerous wars in his successor, Wellesley's time. His was a policy of non-interference carried to extreme lengths and he wilfully allowed the Mahrattas to crush the Nizam in the battle of Kurdla which aggrandised their power very much and rendered them more dangerous to our power than before. He also allowed the aggressive power of Ranjit Singh in the Punjab to grow very formidable, a mistake which cost his successors infinite trouble. He got for all this from outward by pacific policy an Irish Barony at the end of his rule in 1798, and became Lord Teignmouth, surviving till 1834 to see and reflect on his mistakes in India. His father was a captain in the East India Company's marine and grandfather a supercargo in the first quarter of the eighteenth century. His son was in the Bengal Civil Service cut off in 1837 in the midst of a promising career. The present Lord Teignmouth, a second cousin of the late Canon Shore and of the same age is married to a sister of Lord Stamfordham, who is just now in India as Private Secretary to King George.

PRIZE-FIGHTING AND BOXING. IN England among, light-weights especially, the "knock-out" is a rare occurrence, for the referee, who is always a man of experience, knows precisely when one of the contestants has established a winning advantage, and the result is that the English style of boxing is directed to piling up points. In America, it is different. The maxim of the American fighter is that "a knock-out goes further than any number of points." Every American fighting man has his pet "knock-out" blow, and the whole business of a prize fight, from the beginning to the end, is to get it in. Having come to the conclusion that the proposed contest between Moran and Driscoll would be in reality a prize fight and not a mere exhibition of boxing skill, the Birmingham stipendiary magistrate had no option, but to bind the men over to keep the peace. A prize fight by the way was well defined that other day of Johnson, who said that anything that goes beyond four rounds is a prize-fight. A prize fight is an indictable misdemeanour on the part of all directly concerned. A fight with the naked fists is illegal, and so is a combat between two pugilists which goes on until one or the other of them gives in from exhaustion or injury. The wearing of gloves is no defence in itself. Technically, it is an assault to strike another person, and both combatants in a prize fight are guilty of assault. But if two men fence with foils or spar with boxing gloves there is no assault, because each consents to the moderate blows of the other, and the proof of consent would be a defence. But when the two combatants agree to do each other as much damage as they can their consent is immaterial. The law does not allow a man to consent to his own death, mutilation, or serious injury. As to whether those standing by and looking on at a prize fight can be convicted of aiding and abetting, or home contemporary discussing the whole question points out that that question was settled in the case of the Queen v. Coney. The case arose out of a prize fight in 1881, after the Ascot Races. The principals and seconds were convicted, but afterwards the question was raised whether a man named Coney and two others who were present looking on, and who were indicted for assault and aiding and abetting in an assault, had been rightly convicted at the quarter sessions. Indirectly, a still more serious question was raised—whether, in the case of the death of one of the combatants, a person standing by and looking on was liable to be convicted of manslaughter. The case was heard before eleven judges in the Court for the Consideration of Crown Cases Reserved, in March, 1882. Eight of the judges—Baron Huddleston and Justices Denman, Hawkins, Manisty, Lopes, Stephen, Cave, and North—held that the decision of the Court below was wrong, and three—Lord Coleridge, Baron Pollock, and Mr. Justice Mathew—that the Court was right, and so the conviction was quashed.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor of Madras has been pleased to nominate the following officers to be members of the Finance Committee:—the Hon. Sir Murray Hammick, the Hon. Mr. J. N. Atkinson, the Hon. Mr. V. Krishnaswamy Iyer, the Hon. Sir Harold Stuart, the Hon. Mr. A. G. Cardew and the Hon. Mr. C. A. Smith.

A FIRE broke out yesterday morning at Ghoosery Ropeworks, Howrah, belonging to Messrs. Harton and Company and caused Rs. 10,000 damage before it was extinguished.

THE P. and O. steamer "Sicilia" arrived in Calcutta, on Monday, bringing over 100 passengers from London. The "Sicilia" passed six miles south of Minicoy at 9 o'clock on the night of Sunday, November 26th, and saw no signs of "Beachy."

The goods traffic on the B. B. and C. I. Railway for the week ending 11th November, 1911, shows a decrease on the corresponding week of 1910 of 188,332 maunds with an increase of Rs. 17,871 in the earnings.

THE Hindu University deputation headed by the Maharajah of Darbhanga, waited upon the Hon'ble Mr. Butler at the Town Hall, Delhi, on Monday when the details of the draft of the Hindu University Bill were placed before him and informally discussed. The Education Member was sympathetic throughout and stated that he would place the whole question before His Excellency the Viceroy and the Government of India as soon as possible.

The damaged destroyer "Scorpion" has been placed in dockyard hands at Chatham for repairs.

The Sultan of Zanzibar, who intends to rule no more in that country, contemplates taking a house in London, and may devote himself to the breeding of racehorses.

According to a recently published Blue Book, the total number of vessels on the register in the United Kingdom in 1910 was 21,090 of a tonnage of 11,555,663.

IN commemoration of the Coronation, the Eastern Telegraph Company have allotted a month's pay to every permanent employe ashore—a total sum of £24,492.

A Conference of Welsh agriculturists and members of Parliament was held in London the other day, to consider a draft Bill for the establishment of a separate Department of Agriculture for Wales.

The first keel-plates of a new unarmoured cruiser of the "Boadicea" class, not yet named, have just been laid at Pembroke Dockyard. The earlier vessels of the type carry six 4in. guns, but the new cruiser will carry ten. She will have only two propeller shafts instead of four.

ART, MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

MR. GREIG'S RAEBURN.

The Operatic Situation.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Nov. 17.

Mr. James Greig is one of those useful plodders in art who leave no stone unturned in their devotion to accuracy and their search for fulness. When the acknowledged authority on any given subject is quite finished, Mr. Greig and his like come along and show that there are still many unoccupied "claims" which have not been properly dug and sifted. His new study of Raeburn ("Life of Sir Henry Raeburn, with a Catalogue of His Pictures." The Connoisseur Publishing Company) comes exactly at the right moment, when Raeburn has taken his final seat among the great Masters, and when the public in the auction-room and elsewhere is prepared to pay handsomely for its errors in the past. Mr. Greig's book is commendably brief, but it contains a vast deal of hitherto undiscovered material. We had, of course, Sir Walter Armstrong's excellent "Life," published in 1901, but Mr. Greig's work is a most necessary supplement to it. He gives what must surely be a full list of Raeburn's portraits, for the number over one thousand, and he publishes for the first time some thirty of Raeburn's letters, with other documents which prove that Sir Walter Armstrong was too hasty in his statement that the artist wrote no letters and kept no accounts. Mr. Greig is a Scotsman with a natural inclination to laud his great countryman's work, but he manages to keep a fairly steady head, and does not deal too lavishly in superlatives, even when he bravely brackets Raeburn with Burns and Scott as one of the fine flowers of the Scottish Renaissance. Raeburn was essentially a national genius and owed little to the sister country or to foreign influence, but perhaps his eighteen months' stay in Rome, gave him more than Mr. Greig allows. The marvel is that genius so unmistakable remained so long without recognition. So late as 1887, forty-nine of his portraits fetched only £6,000, or an average of £120 each, and the portrait of Sir Walter Scott as a boy changed hands at £3 3s. in 1863. These were the dark hours of artistic knowledge in this country, out of which the wealthy American and the Bond-street dealer were to reap their profits. Raeburn is no longer "only the parodist of Lawrence" and a few months ago one of his portraits reached the almost fabulous price of £22,300, a record for any picture under the hammer in this country. Mr. Greig's book contains many fine reproductions, and is a necessary supplement to all the Raeburn literature that has gone before.

MR. CAYLEY ROBINSON.

At the Leicester Gallery, in Leicester-square, Messrs. Brown and Phillips are showing Mr. F. Cayley Robinson's drawings made in illustration of The "Blue Bird." With these are a few pictures which sufficiently suggest the range of Mr. Robinson's very beautiful and very thoughtful art. The "Blue Bird" drawings have already met with the enthusiastic admiration of M. Maeterlink himself. At first he fond them a little disconcerting; the story was interpreted from within, instead of being translated from without, but "when one reopens the book, when one slowly turns over the leaves, when one lingers long, a charm, powerful, unexpected, and much more fairy-like than the most spontaneous fantasy of the most extravagant imagination, escapes little by little, from your pictures, purposely restrained and subdued." To that handsome eulogy one can add nothing, except that, here and there, one is conscious of a certain monotony, of an inanition that chills, and is reminded, perhaps, of other artists who have also tried, by long lines and conventional tones, to visualise a philosophy or a faith rather beyond the reach of pictorial art. To Puvis de Chavannes Mr. Robinson is certainly indebted, in a picture like "Dawn"; and that Blake has also impressed him is obvious in the design. "The galley of the dawn sails for the earth," but he has of course, high and original qualities of his own, which have long since assured him a place among the painters of imagination. Mr. W. Russell Flint is also an imaginative artist who has done some excellent work in illustration of various authors. His last drawings, exhibited at the rooms of the Fine Art Society, in New Bond-street, deal with Malory's "Morte d'Arthur," and show him disguised in a Mediæval spirit, out of which he now and again pops up with almost comic effect. His stout modernism is not to be kept under by any archaic make-believe, and for that reason, while admiring his industry, one may quite reasonably prefer his landscape work. In all respects these Highland pictures of loch and moor and lonely "ben" are personal in the emotion, and have a vitality that does not exist in the more elaborated designs. Also at the Fine Art Society are some Spanish and other drawings by Mr. Henry C. Brewer, and a roomful of dog studies by Miss Maud Earl.

HANDBOOKS FOR ARTISTS.

How much can an artist learn of his art from the written word? "Not much," says Mr. W. L. Laidlay; "A great deal." says Mr. A. L. Baldry. Two books, complied more or less for the instruction of artists—and compiled it should be added from very different points of view—are Mr. Baldry's "Practice of Water-Colour Painting" (Macmillan and Co.) and Mr. Laidlay's "Art, Artists, and Landscape Painting" (Longmans, Green, and Co.) Mr. Laidlay does not believe that art can be taught—the artist is born, not made, as the dear old platitude reminds us—but he is eager to give advice and assistance to art students and beginners, even with the depressing conviction that his words will be as little heeded "as the cry of the gulls" in the North Sea. Mr. Baldry is a more cheery optimist, and seems to think that if a student knows, the palette and the methods of a great painter he may straightway "go and do likewise." So far as one's own experience goes Mr. Laidlay is the more accurate prophet, and after reading his book, one's suspicion of his occuracy amounts almost to a certainty. Few students are likely to read his book, fewer still can profit by it. Mr. Laidlay is an industrious but rather dull painter, who has never understood why his pictures have not set the Thames on fire. His book is well intentioned, but also rather dull. It is the result of logical thinking, without humour or imagination—very like his pictures, in fact. Mr. Laidlay disclaims all animosity against the exhibitions that have cold-shouldered his work, but the brightest item in the book is the very funny petition to the King in the appendix for there, certainly, Mr. Laidlay, in courtly language, seems still to thirst for the blood of certain Royal Academicians. Mr. Baldry's volume has the attraction of many pleasing reproductions after the works of modern watercolour painters, with notes on the methods of each.

THE OPERATIC SITUATION.

This autumn season will undoubtedly rank as one of the most prosperous in the history of Covent Garden—the Ring and the Russian Ballet have both proved irresistibly magnetic and the house has been packed night after night. On Tuesday last, when the King and Queen went to a performance of the ballet, the audience was such as would have been counted among the most distinguished of a Grand Season. It remains only to be said that, from the critic's point of view, last week was a blank, inasmuch as nothing new was produced. Those interested in opera have been fixing their eyes on the new opera-house in Kingsway. By the time these lines appear we shall know all about "Quo Vadis," but as it has not been performed at the time of writing, nothing can be said about it. The British public admires nothing so much as pluck, and the courage shown by Mr. Hammerstein in the last few days should alone make him very popular. It is an open secret that things had been happening in his little kingdom which would have driven an ordinary monarch into private life, but they only make him more energetic. First of all, the authorities insisted on a huge number of alterations which have necessitated the presence of an army of workmen night and day and, interfered with the necessary work of rehearsal. This suggests the respectful inquiry whether we really are such a wonderfully practical nation, for such a state of things seems the "ne plus ultra" of unreason. Secondly, when M. Frey came to try the lighting effects on which the "clou of Quo Vadis"—the Burning of Rome—depends, Mr. Hammerstein found that he had to knock down a wall, and, like Balbus in the Latin Grammar, build another. Still, the work of preparation went on as if nothing had happened.

The unexpected frequently happens. The musical thrill of the week has been provided by the Philharmonic Society, and the appearance of Herr Mengelberg is likely to become historical. (His name, by the way, is Willem, not Adolf or Hugo, as some people persist in telling us.) The inner history of his engagement is interesting, because it helps to explain why in some parts of the world, England is still regarded as unmusical. It has a moral—in fact so many morals that pages might be devoted to them. After Heer Mengelberg had made an impression on his audience such as no conductor has made for a long time, everybody was asking everybody else how it was that we had not heard him or heard of him before. As a matter of fact, everybody who knows anything of music on the Continent has for some time been perfectly familiar with his immense reputation, and the performances he gives of the St. Matthew Passion at Amsterdam every Palm Sunday are not unknown to English musical pilgrims. During the last few years several offers have been made to Heer Mengelberg from this country, but they have always failed, because he has refused to come here for a small fee, gratis, or to speculate in concerts. It seems that poverty-stricken hamlets like London, Manchester, Liverpool and Glasgow cannot run to fees which are gladly paid by centres of wealth like Utrecht or Gumbinnen or Lodz. In Italy, Spain, and Russia, the rewards of a conductor are greater still. Fortunately for us, the idea of conducting one of the centenary concerts of the Philharmonic Society appealed to Heer Mengelberg's imagination and he agreed to conduct one. Lest those whose ideas of making sacrifices for Art are summed up in cadging for as many free tickets as possible should accuse him of mercenary motives, it may be said that in order to come here he sacrificed two concerts, for each of which he would have received double his London fee. It may be remembered that the story of Mme. Tetrazzini's London "debut" is curiously analogous.

HEER MENGELBERG.

Heer Mengelberg is certainly one of the great conductors of the day. He is immensely versatile; he is a Bach specialist and Strauss enthusiast—need one say more? He has a tremendously vital temperament, and the cultivated taste which saves from excess, and for him, the first requisite of all orchestral playing is beauty of tone. He has a sense of rhythm which never fails him and a splendid skill in building up a climax gradually, and the self-restraint which enables him to disregard a chance of an immediate effect for the sake of whole impression. In other words he is more like Richter was in his great days than anyone whom one can remember. The similarity was more strongly shown in his wonderfully virile yet flexible and poetical interpretation of Schumann's D minor Symphony. The lackadaisical readings of it one had heard recently had persuaded some people to the mistaken belief that the music had but little life in it, but Heer Mengelberg soon undeceived one and was rewarded by an ovation such as no conductor has had since Nikisch electrified us the first time. The concert began with Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet," and ended with Liszt's "Les Preludes," and both were played with a picturesque power and a dramatic intensity and a sense of purely musical beauty which swept the audience off its feet. The new concerto of his own which M. Rachmaninoff played is very Russian, and has many faults, but one can forgive most of them, because the music makes the impression that it is deeply felt and not manufactured. The composer played it brilliantly. He also played his own C sharp minor Prelude, which seems to be as inseparable from him as the orchid used to be from Mr. Chamberlain. I have heard him play it at least a dozen times, and every time differently, so that those who wish to give the "authentic" rendering have a wide choice. We are to hear Heer Mengelberg again at a concert of the London Symphony Orchestra in February, and before he had finished his first rehearsal, he had been approached by several people with offers, so that we may hope before long to find his sturdy figure and cherubic face familiar to London concert platforms.

OTHER CONCERTS.

The concert of the London Symphony Orchestra last Monday was interesting, because it showed us the ideas which Sir Edward Elgar has of Bach and Beethoven. His interpretations of the Fourth Brandenburg concerto and the Seventh Symphony were full of splendid life and fire, and in respect of manly vigour could face any comparisons. If one felt that now and again the details did not all come off as the conductor desired, the compensations were manifold. It is comforting to have another concrete proof of the fact, which it suits disingenuous controversialists to ignore, that the most modern composer of any epoch is the one who understands his great predecessors best. We heard Sir Edward Elgar also conduct a singularly beautiful performance of his Variations by the New Symphony Orchestra, which, among other things, gave all who were present a far higher idea of the powers of that orchestra than they had ever had before. Another feature of the concert was the inauguration of popular prices at high class orchestral concerts. The result of the experiment is as yet, of course, doubtful; but the beginning was hopeful, and its success would be a benefit to music in general. Herr Schonberger played Saint Saens' G minor Concerto with a rare combination of spirit and elegance, and Mr. Coleridge Taylor (in the absence of Mr. Landon Ronald through ill-health) conducted the rest of the concert with a good deal of authority. Miss Marguerite Melville played three piano concertos with mature and sympathetic artistic insight, one of them being a quite attractive prize concerto by Henryk Melcer. Mr. Leonhard Sickert is a most refined and cultivated singer, whose fastidious taste sometimes goes too far in checking the display of his temperament. He only requires a nicer adjustment of these two indispensable elements to achieve a good position.

"THE MARIONETTES" AT THE COMEDY.

"The Marionettes," at the Comedy Theatre, has apparently settled down into a success, thanks to the acting; and on all sides one hears the performances of Miss Marie Lohr, Mr. Arthur Wontner, Mr. Charles Lowne, and Sir John Hare praised in the heartiest way. One correspondent, or many on the subject writes as follows:—Since I last wrote I have seen "The Honeymoon" and "The Marionettes"—the first very distinctly clever, the second machine-made and not good at that. But every month I am more and more struck with the excellence of English acting to-day in modern drama. The acting of both these plays, as well as of "The Perplexed Husband," and "The Ogre," struck me as nearly perfect. I do not think that at any theatre to-day you can be sure of the faultless representations that were given in the seventies at the old Prince of Wales's Theatre but that company formed an oasis in the desert—the general level to-day is far higher. Had the writer of this seen "The War God" I think he would also have been favourably impressed by the acting in it of Sir Herbert Tree and Mr. Bourchier. Of the two, the former came very near indeed last Wednesday to the absolute realisation of a very subtle character.

LIVERPOOL REPERTORY THEATRE.

The opening of the Liverpool Repertory Theatre on Saturday marks another and very important step forward in the crusade for the recovery of the Provincial States to original work in place of its present deplorable dependance on London "productions." There are eleven hundred shareholders in the company, and as Mr. Baughan very truly says in the "Daily News" to-day, that is a more healthy thing than an endowment by one or two very rich men, for it shows that a large section of the Liverpool public want such a theatre and believe in it. A beautiful playhouse has been erected, and a hearty welcome given it by the Press. In a leading article on Saturday, the "Liverpool Daily Post" said:—While looking to the theatre for the lightening of life, let us always recognise the need of fine qualities, of artistic enthusiasm, of literary and moral purpose. Judging from its announcements for the season, the Liverpool Repertory Theatre intends meeting these requirements. It opened with what seems from all the accounts to have been a very finished performance of one of the finest of our modern comedies "The Admirable Crichton."

SUSPICIOUS DEATH OF MISS ORME.

Arrest of Miss Stephen.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, DEC. 5.

Miss Mount Stephen who was arrested at Jhansi, in connection, it is alleged, with the death of Miss Garnett Orme has been conveyed to Dehra Dun in custody. It will be recalled that Miss Garnett Orme was found lying dead in her bed at Mussourie in September last. There was a Magisterial enquiry followed by a "post-mortem" examination. A portion of her viscera was subsequently sent to the Chemical Examiner, and it is said that prussic acid was discoved. The Mussourie Police investigated the matter with the result already mentioned. Miss Mount Stephen was a companion of the deceased.

THE PERSIAN CRISIS.

BRITAIN AND RUSSIAN DEMANDS.

Question of the Indemnity.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DEC. 4.

At question time, in the House of Commons, Mr. Acland stated that Britain was informed regarding the Russian ultimatum before it was sent, but as the events which occasioned its despatch primarily concerned Russia, the consent of Britain was not required. In view, however, of Mr. Shuster's action, Britain was unable to object to the demand respecting him and the appointment of foreign officers.

LATER.

Reuter learns that assurances which have reached London confirm the conviction held in British official quarters that the despatch of Russian troops to Persia is for the specific purpose of obtaining satisfaction of Russian demands, and does not conceal any intention of permanent occupation, or interference in Persia's internal affairs, the Russian Government being determined to adhere to the spirit and letter of the Anglo-Russian Convention.

LONDON, DEC. 5.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Morrell asked whether there was anything to show that Mr. Shuster's work had been unsatisfactory to the Persian Government or people.

Mr. Acland replied that the British Minister had reported that severe tension had existed between the Ministers and Mr. Shuster for weeks past, and had recently caused the resignation of three Ministers. Mr. Acland had no information respecting the feeling of the people, but Mr. Shuster had the support of the Mejliss.

On a motion for the adjournment of the House, Mr. Morrell asked for a fuller explanation of Britain's attitude to Persia.

Mr. Acland replied that the Government had not made representations to Russia, regarding two of the demands, but on the third, that Persia pay the expenses of the expedition, the British Government had made representations pointing out that Persia was unable to pay the indemnity without a loan, and that this burden would make it harder to secure order on the southern roads and trade routes, which was very necessary in the interests of British trade.

Mr. Dillon asked if Russia had used Britain's name in the ultimatum.

Mr. Acland:—"No".

Mr. Acland added that Sir Edward Grey would make a full statement on the Persian question next week.

LATER.

It is reported that the Porte has appealed to the Powers urging them to respect the independence of Persia.

TEHERAN, DEC. 5.

The Mejliss has despatched cablegrams, appealing specially to the British House of Commons and the Duma, and generally to the world's Parliaments, in connection with the Russian action.

Women are most active in the demonstrations which are being held. They take part in processions and harangue the crowds from mosques and in squares, and indulge in window-smashing in order to enforce the Russian boycott.

The Persian Women's Society has wired to the Suffragists Committee in London, asking for the help of English women.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, DEC. 5.

A telegram from Almoaydul Islam, Calcutta, was read at a meeting of Madras Persians, announcing a meeting of the Iranis, Armanis and Parsis to-morrow, at 4 p.m., when telegraphic appeals and a protest to all the Powers will be sent. Madras Persians sent a wire endorsing the same.

CHINESE CRISIS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, DEC. 5.

Through the mediation of the British Consul at Hankow an armistice has been proclaimed during which the bases of an agreement will be discussed.

Yuan-Shih-Kai believes that the situation is clearing and says that while he is working for peace through Hankow, Tang-Shao-Yi, whose head-quarters are at the Tientsin. is making similar endeavours in North China.

According to the *Times* a message from Peking, the Regent, who up to the present has been the chief obstacle in the way of a settlement, is prepared to abdicate.

THE OPIUM CONFERENCE.

THE HAGUE, DEC. 4.

Queen Wilhelmina has telegraphed to the Opium Conference wishing it success in its humanitarian work.

The sittings of the Conference will be private.

LONDON, DEC. 5.

A message to the *Times* from the Hague states that the Programme Committee of the Opium Conference has drafted eight resolutions dealing only with opium, and following generally, the bases laid down at the Shanghai conference. In deference to Portugal and the interests in Macao it has been decided to treat boiled opium as distinct from raw opium. Separate resolutions will be drafted dealing with morphine, cocaine and hashish.

MACEDONIA.

Revolutionaries again Active.

CONSTANTINOPLE, DEC. 5.

Bulgarian revolutionists have blown up a mosque in the town of Ishtib, in Macedonia, with dynamite. Twelve were killed and thirteen wounded.

The Porte has sent a circular to the Powers calling attention to the outrages in Macedonia and the renewed activity of the Macedo-Bulgarian revolutionary organisation.

WEST AFRICAN COLONIES.

Question of the Currency.

LONDON, DEC. 4.

Mr. Harcourt has appointed a Committee to consider the question of a distinctive silver coinage and Government note issue for the West African Colonies and Protectorates, and the regulation of currency generally. Lord Emmott will be the Chairman.

THE INSURANCE BILL.

Unionist Amendment to be Proposed.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DEC. 5.

On the motion for the third reading of the Insurance Bill, Mr. Forster will move the following Opposition amendment:—"That while approving the objects of National Insurance, this House is of opinion that under the Bill public funds and individual contributions will not be used to the best advantage of those most closely affected. Also, as the Bill has neither been adequately discussed, nor fully explained to the country, and as it would, in its present form, be unequal in operation, steps should be taken to enable further consideration next session, and to have the draft regulations published meanwhile."

During the discussion of an amendment by Mr. Ramsay Macdonald to the Insurance Bill, Mr. Lloyd George, replying to a Unionist argument that British employers would be handicapped against foreigners by insurance, and that it would be a burden on employment, said that our only competitor in the cotton trade was Germany, where far more was paid for insurance than the Government was proposing.

Mr. Harvey, Unionist, pointed out that there was serious competition from Bombay and Japan.

Mr. Lloyd George admitted that Mr. Harvey was right, but said that the seriousness of the Indian and Japanese competition lay in the fact that it was based on low wages. We were able to beat that competition by more efficient labour.

LATER.

The House of Commons has concluded the report stage of the Insurance Bill.

A Unionist amendment to graduate contributions according to wages was rejected by 175 votes to 105, as also were a Liberal amendment to reduce the contribution from territorials, by 166 to 89, and Mr. Ramsay Macdonald's amendment to reduce the contributions from workmen and employers by one penny, by 188 votes to 156.

The Unionist members, Mr. Foster and Mr. Goldman, supported Mr. Ramsay Macdonald's amendment.

Mr. Lloyd George protested that the reduction of one penny would convert an estimated surplus of £1,800,000 into a deficit of £1,200,000.

THE MACNAMARA CONSPIRACY.

Confessions Create a Sensation.

LONDON, DEC. 5.

The confessions of the brothers Macnamara have produced immense sensation throughout America. The prosecuting counsel declares that Federal and State authorities are co-operating with a view to uncovering the most gigantic conspiracy ever conceived in America. He asserts that Mr. Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labour, must have been cognisant of Macnamaras' guilt before they confessed.

The Federal Grand jury has started investigations in Indianapolis, apparently the headquarters of the Macnamara gang, with a view to discovering the real persons responsible. Meanwhile, labour unions throughout the country are disavowing the Macnamaras and demanding the death sentence for them.

THE DURBAR.

Commemorative Luncheon in London.

LONDON, DEC. 4.

The Indian community in London is celebrating the holding of the Durbar by a luncheon on the 12th instant, at the Waldorf Hotel. Sir Krishna Gupta will preside, and the Master of Elibank is expected to speak.

THE STANDARD OIL CO.

Resignation of Directors.

LONDON, DEC. 4.

Mr. John Rockefeller has resigned the presidency and directorship of the Standard Oil Company. He will be succeeded by Mr. Archbold. The majority of the other officers and directors have also resigned.

THE EPISCOPAL BENCH.

New Bishop of Sodor and Man.

LONDON, DEC. 4.

Canon Thompson, Rector of Birmingham, has been appointed Bishop of Sodor and Man.

THE LATE MARQUIS OF WATERFORD.

LONDON, DEC. 4.

The King and Queen have telegraphed their condolences to the family of the late Marquis of Waterford on the occasion of his death.

GERMANO-JAPANESE AGREEMENT.

Bill Passed in the Reichstag.

BERLIN, DEC. 5.

The Reichstag has passed the third reading of the Japanese commercial and consular agreements.

AUSTRIAN CHIEF OF STAFF.

VIENNA, DEC. 5.

General Schemus has succeeded General Von Hoetzendorff as Chief of Austrian General staff.

THE CHINA RISING.

SHANGHAI, DEC. 5.

German firms here have received anonymous threats of death if they supply the Imperialist troops with munitions.

TURCO-ITALIAN WAR.

British Steamer Fired At.

ITALIAN SUCCESS AT TRIPOLI.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CAIRO, DEC. 5.

The steamer "Baron Polwarth," which is at Suez, reports that an Italian cruiser twice fired across her bows in the Red Sea. She was not boarded, and was signalled to proceed.

ROME, DEC. 5.

The Italians report a general advance yesterday, during which they captured the enemy's main position at Ainzara, eight guns and ammunition, all provisions and camp equipment. The enemy are now in full retreat to the south and west. The Italian casualties, it is stated, do not exceed a hundred. The enemy, however, lost several hundred killed alone.

LONDON, DEC. 5.

The despatch further declares that this victory ends the period of warfare proper: henceforth there will only be guerilla operations. Tripoli and the oasis have been freed, the Turks are definitely cut off from the sea and re-victualling bases. The Turks made a night attack on the fort of Benghazi on the 3rd instant taking the garrison by surprise. A number of Arabs crowded into the gateway but were instantly killed. The enemy were eventually repulsed with severe loss.

The Italians lost three killed and five wounded. A fresh night attack on the 4th instant was repulsed, the Turks and Arabs losing heavily.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, DEC. 5.

The message of the 2nd instant, announcing the death of Sir Henry "Sarben," should have stated Sir Henry Harben.

[The late Sir Henry Harben was born in August, 1823, and educated privately. He contested Norwich in 1880, and Cardiff in 1885. He became High Sheriff in 1898, and was a Justice of the Peace and a Deputy Lieutenant. The late Sir Henry was also President of the Prudential Assurance Company. His publications were chiefly statistical works. He was an ardent supporter of cricket and was a Vice-President of the Sussex County C. C.]

MOSLEM EDUCATION.

The University Fund.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 5.

At the sitting of the Mahomedan Education Conference, the Hon. Mr. Butler, the Hon. Mr. Syed Ali Imam and the Maharajah of Darbhanga were present. The Nawab Vizir-ul-Mulk Bahadur, the Honorary Secretary of the Conference and of the Aligarh Trustees, moved the following resolution in a speech delivered with great earnestness:—"This conference expresses with earnestness and real enthusiasm its grateful thanks to the Government of India which is the representative of His Imperial Majesty for its gracious kindness and great sagacity which will soon make it possible for the Musalmans to realise their long cherished ideal of a Moslem University, and on behalf of the whole community this conference thanks the Hon. Mr. Butler for his kind assistance in securing a most sympathetic consideration from the Supreme Government for the united wishes of the Musalmans in this behalf." The Hon. Sahibzada Aftab Ahmad Khan seconded the resolution in a very eloquent and thoughtful speech.

The Hon. Mr. Butler who spoke in Urdu, acknowledge his thanks for the resolution, and said what he had done was only his duty, but added that in view of his early associations with Sir Syed Ahmad Khan, Mr. Justice Mahmood and Nawab Mohsin-ul-Mulk and his friendly relations with Nawab Vicar-ul-Mulk and the Hon. Mr. Aftab Ahmad Khan, it was also a pleasure to do what he had done. He announced that he was hopeful that both the Musalmans and the Hindus would get their Universities if only they collected sufficient sums of money. It was now mainly a question of funds, and he urged the Musalmans to pay up what they had promised and to subscribe afresh. He referred to the donations of His Highness the Aga Khan to the Hindu University and of that of the Maharaja of Dharbhanga to the Moslem University, and said that nobody would rejoice at the existence of such relations between the two communities more than the Government itself. He thought it a good omen that such relations should appear at this memorable time when all were uniting to welcome His Most Gracious Majesty.

The Hon. Raja of Mahmudabad thanked Messrs. Butler, Ali Imam and the Maharaja of Darbhanga for gracing the conference with their presence. A resolution to that effect was passed by the conference.

The Maharaja of Darbhanga in offering his acknowledgments hoped that the sister movements for Hindu-Moslem Universities would soon put an end to godless education.

Three cheers were given in honour of the distinguished visitors.

Resolutions regarding the death of the late Nizam were adopted.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 5.

Approval has been given to the resignation of his commission by 2nd Lieutenant E. V. Pringle, King's Royal Rifle Corps, on return from leave.

Captain J. R. Garwood, R. E., is posted to the Military Works, Meerut Division.

Captain Tancock, 31st Punjabis, and Lieutenant Boyle, 11th Lancers, are appointed to the Kurram Militia.

2nd Lieutenant Graham, Unattached List, is posted to the 9th Horse, and 2nd Lieutenant Rogers, Unattached List to the 61st Pioneers.

On arrival in India, for a tour of duty Lieutenant E. J. B. Hayes Sadler, R. E., is posted to the 8th Lucknow Division, Military Works.

Major Chichester, 28th Punjabis, is appointed Second-in-Command of that Regiment.

Approval has been given to the appointment of Lieut.-Colonel S. Geoghegan, 74th Punjabis, as Commandant of that Regiment.

The following Unattached List officers are posted to regiments of the Indian Army as shown against each:—2nd Lieut. C. M. Maltby to the 95th Infantry; T. T. Laville to the 8th Rajputs; J. M. Whittel to the 1st Battalion, 6th Gurkhas; A. J. Lunn to the 82nd Punjabis. B. H. O'Donnell to the 26th Cavalry and C. R. C. Lane to the 19th Lancers.

The Government of India have approved of the following changes being made in the rules prescribed in Para 370 A.R.I., Volume II for the promotion of the departmental Unattached List of non-commissioned officers and soldiers:—

1. The specific ranks and qualifying service for the same amongst the departmental non-commissioned officers shall in future be (a) Sergeant on transfer to the Unattached list, (b) Staff Sergeant after three years' service as Sergeant.

The rule in the paragraph quoted above which requires a soldier to have three years' army service before promotion to Sergeant on the departmental Unattached list is hereby abolished para 525. The promotion to a sergeant on transfer to the unattached list under these orders will not carry with it a corresponding increase of pay *i.e.* the restriction in paragraph 454, Army Regulations of India. In regard to the pay admissible to a non-commissioned officer or soldier during his first year of service on the unattached list will remain unaltered.

ROYAL VISIT TO BOMBAY.

DEPARTURE OF THEIR MAJESTIES.

MEMORABLE SCENES IN THE STREETS.

Their Imperial Majesties left Bombay from the Victoria Terminus at 11 o'clock last night.

The drive to the station was, in many respects, more memorable than was that of Saturday. True the procession was shorn of much of its circumstance in that the escort was much smaller: but from the landing place to Victoria Terminus troops lined the roads, while great cheering crowds were in evidence all the way. Moreover, Their Majesties passed through streets which were rendered beautiful by illumination.

The Royal barge arrived at the Apollo Bunder from H. M. S. "Medina" at 10-30 p.m. and Their Excellencies, Sir George Clarke and Lady Clarke, almost immediately afterwards left by motor for the station. A few minutes elapsed and then Their Majesties stepped into their carriage and the procession moved off up the Apollo Bunder Road.

The scene on the Bunder was marvellously beautiful. The great gate near the steps rose into the sky, a picture of charm in white and ruby red. On the right the Yacht Club was swathed in a soft green light, and beyond was the Port Office which resembled a great symmetrical cluster of pearls more than anything else. Right ahead was the Amphitheatre and the Royal Pavilion, each thing of beauty—almost a fitting setting for the King who was going away to his crowning.

A FIERY TRIBUTE.

Apollo Bunder Road also paid its fiery tribute, and at the top of the thoroughfare the first real crowd was seen, and this testified its appreciation of the Royal presence in no uncertain manner. The Sailors' Home, a mass of red light, enhanced the wonder of the scene and threw its glare on the great multitude that had assembled round the Crescent, and that cheered as Their Majesties passed onwards into Esplanade Road. The crowd extended behind the troops and police cordon the full length of the road up to the National Bank Buildings, and, as on previous occasions, was composed of all sorts and conditions.

The regimental bands stationed here and there along the route added much to the charm of the occasion. During the time of waiting they broke into the monotony, and afterwards when the Royal carriage passed they played the National Anthem. It was a festival in the best sense of the word, and its great feature was the gracious presence of Their Majesties.

AT BORI BUNDER.

Perhaps, the finest scene of all was at the huge crescent space outside the Bori Bunder. Here, the crowd was dense three hours before the cavalcade was due. The splendid embellishments of the Railway office's and the Post Office filled the interest of the multitude for some time; but that eventually palled, and they settled down quietly to their long wait. An hour-and-a half before the time, the troops began to arrive. Dressed in white, in review order, they presented an imposing spectacle in the diffused light. The first to arrive were the Royal Warwick's, with band and colours, and a local regiment was posted to the place of honour directly at the station. A minute after their arrival another band was heard rolling along; this was a part of the 7th Dragoons who lined the road from the station entrance to the Bhattia Bhag. The Loyal North Lancs came next and, they extended back almost to Wallace Street, where they linked up with the 26th Light Cavalry who dismounted with their lances in hand in their grey uniform looked as they are—a smart lot.

At the Bhattia Bhag and the vicinity of Victoria Terminus the crowd was as great as that of Saturday: indeed, it was probably greater for many thousands of the people had come in from the native city to see the departure of Their Majesties and, incidentally, to view the illuminations. Perfect order again prevailed, and it was really amazing to see how amenable the dense throng was to the orders of the police. Here and there, perhaps, there was a little friction; but it was temporary and entirely due to misunderstanding.

"It was on the turn of a quarter to eleven when the procession reached this point. As on the previous occasion it was preceded by an officer and the sowars of the Bombay Mounted Police, who were followed in turn by a squadron of the 7th Dragoons. The Royal Horse. Artillery were absent, likewise the Bombay Light Horse. The carriage in which Their Majesties were seated followed, and long before it actually came into sight its proximity was known through the volume of cheering which sounded along the road. As the King-Emperor and Queen-Empress passed the band of the Loyal North Lancs. played one verse of the Royal Anthem, and the strain was taken up in the distance by the Royal Warwicks as the Royal carriage drove up to the main entrance to the station. Once more the crowd cheered lustily, and before actually entering the station Their Majesties turned round and bowed their last acknowledgments to their people.

THE DEPARTURE.

Inside the station these was a small but distinguished assembly. His Excellency Sir George Clarke received Their Majesties, and there were also present, Her Excellency Lady Clarke, the Bishop of Bombay, Sir Basil Scott, Chief Justice of Bombay, General Swann, Commanding the Bombay Brigade, and his staff, Mr. Kennedy, Inspector-General of Police, Mr. G. Guider, C.IE., Deputy Inspector General of Police, Mr Barlee, Mr. S. M. Edwardes, I. C. S., Commissioner of Police, Mr. P. R. Cadell, Municipal Commissioner, Mr. E. M. Proes, Executive Engineer, Bombay. Superintendent Sullia of the C. I. D., was also in attendence.

The Royal train had been drawn upon No 3 platform which was tastefully decorated in white and pale yellow, set off by Union Jacks. The Engine was also decorated.

Visit to Elephanta.

Yesterday Their Majesties and party made a visit to the Elephanta Caves where they were accompanied by Mr. S. M. Edwardes, Commissioner of Police, and Mr. E. M. Proes, Presidency Executive Engineer. After inspecting the caves, Their Majesties returned to H. M. S. "Medina" at 6 p.m.

COURT CIRCULAR.

DECEMBER, 5th, 1911.

This afternoon the King-Emperor and Queen-Empress, attended by the members of their household, visited the caves of Elephanta.

At 10 p.m. Their Imperial Majesties, attended by he Mistress of the Robes, the Marquis of Crewe, the Duke of Teck, the Lord High Steward and Rear-Admiral Sir Collin-Keppel, left H. M. S. "Medina."

The remainder of the suite, having previously landed, were in attendance at the Apollo Bundar; where a guard-of-honour of the 104th Wellesley's Rifles was mounted.

On landing His Imperial Majesty inspected the Guard of Honour attended by Commander Sir Charles Cust and Brigadier-General R. E. Grimston (Equerries in Waiting). The King-Emperor and Queen-Empress then drove to the Victoria Terminus station, a procession being formed in the following order:—

1st CARRIAGE.

The King-Emperor.
The Queen-Empress.

2ND CARRIAGE.

The Mistress of the Robes.
The Marquis of Crewe.
Brig.-Gen. R. E. Grimtson.
Commander Sir Charles Cust.

3RD CARRIAGE.

The Countess of Shaftesbury.
The Duke of Teck.
The Lord Chamberlain to the Queen-Empress.
Lord Stamfordham.

4TH CARRIAGE.

The Hon. Venetia Baring.
The Lord High Steward.
Rear-Admiral Sir Colin Keppel.

Major Clive Wigram (Equerry-in-Waiting), Major L. O. Graeme and Captain B. S. Grissell (Extra Aides-de-Camp) were in attendance on horseback.

An escort was furnished by the 7th Dragoon Guards and 26th Cavalry.

On arrival at the station Their Imperial Majesties were received by the Governor of Bombay and Lady Clarke, the Chief Justice, the Bishop of Bombay, the members of the Executive Council, the General Officer Commanding the Bombay Brigade with the Brigade staff. the Inspector General of Police, the Municipal Commissioner, the Commissioner of Police, the Executive Engineer, Presidency, the Under Secretary to Government, Political Department, and the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Southern Range.

A Guard of Honour of the 96th Berar Infantry was mounted on the platform and was inspected by His Imperial Majesty.

At 10·45 p.m. the Royal Train left for Delhi.

THE DURBAR.

Railway Passenger Traffic.

During the past week the railway companies in Bombay have been busy arranging for and dealing with an augmented service of traffic in connection with the forthcoming Coronation Durbar at Delhi and the officials at both of the termini have been fully occupied in producing order out of chaos. All the recent mail-boats from England have brought their complements of visitors for the Durbar and in addition many visitors resident in India have had to come to Bombay on their way to Delhi. For the past ten days the Great Indian Peninsula Railway have been running a special Coronation Durbar express from the Victoria Terminus daily and, on more than one occasion, the authorities have found it necessary to supplement this by a relief train. Consequently, Bombay's main station now daily resembles a mail day, the luggage enclosures being continually crowded and the space in front of the platforms being thronged with people hurrying about in feverish haste to book tickets and seats and to attend, otherwise, to the hundred and one things necessary before making a railway trip.

Among the notable persons who have already left for Delhi are Sir W. Bass and party on the 27th ultimo, on the 28th ultimo, the Earl and Countess of Mar and Kellie, Lord Charles Montague and Count de Madre, whose name is famous in Home polo circles. On the 29th ultimo Viscountess Frankfort, the Hon. Miss de Montmorency and H. H. the Jam Saheb of Navanagar, on the 30th ultimo, Princess Dhuleep Singh and the Hon R. Palmer. On the 1st instant the express was run in two sections, the passengers of note being the Earl and Countess of Sefton, who had booked their berths as far back as last April, a sign of the keen interest taken in the Coronation proceedings Lady Meux, Lady Catherine Howard, Lord Alington, Sir Hedworth Meux, Eleanor, Countess of Suffolk, H. E. the Governor of Ceylon, General and Lady McCalmont, the Hon Mr. Fraser and Lady Donegal. On the 2nd instant the Coronation Durbar express carried the Hon. A. E. and Mrs. Fitzroy, Sir Hugh and Lady Alice Shaw-Stewart, Lord A. Nugent, the Count Faust di Fontana and the Countess Paolo Paracivini di Fontana, Major-General Alderson, H. H. the Thakore Saheb of Gondal and Shrivant Bhaya Saheb of Poona. Count Heberstein followed in the second portion of the train. On Monday Sir Charles and Lady Friswell left for the Durbar, as did H. E. Sir Edmond Slade and party yesterday.

GOVERNOR'S SPECIAL TRAIN.

The following left Victoria Terminus for Delhi, by H. E. the Governor's special train at 11-30 o'clock last night:—Their Excellencies the Governor and Lady Clarke, Miss Standen, Miss B. Standen, Miss Fellowes, Miss Clarke, the Hon. Sir Basil Scott, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Bombay, the Hon. Mr. M. B. Chaubal, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Morison, the Hon. Mr. F. A. Lamb and Mrs. Lamb, Mr. M. Kennedy, Mr. P. R. Cadell, Mr. E. M. Proes, Mr. W. B. Pechey, Mr. W. Heyland, Mr. C. C. Watson, Major J. G. Greig, Captain T. C. Lucas, Captain C. T. Davis, Captain V. A. Coaker, Captain E. H. Stocker and Captain J. A. Brooke.

In addition to this special traffic for private passengers, other arrangements for extra trains for troops have had to be made. It is not long since the Victoria Terminus presented a military spectacle as the troop-trains came into Bombay and the soldiers who were to line the streets detrained and were marched to their respective camps. Now the process has been reversed and on Sunday two specials left for Manmad with the 102nd Grenadiers while on the same day other two specials conveyed the 105th Maharattas to Poona. A further two trains took the 117th Mahrattas to the same destination on Monday, while on Tuesday morning the Norfolk Regiment left for Poona. In addition to this, on Monday morning early two special local trains were run from Thana to pick up all along the route schoolchildren proceeding to the Stadium to assemble before Their Majesties. So it will be seen that the work of the G. I. P. Railway traffic authorities has been no sinecure during the past few days and they are to be congratulated on the competent way in which they avoided any congestion by carrying out the arrangements made.

THE B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

The B. B. and C. I. Railway authorities have been very busy these last ten or fifteen days, they having to arrange for no fewer than forty-four specials to run to Delhi, in connection with the Coronation Durbar. Besidies these they had also to carry out the arrangements for the Royal Train, the Special for the Governor-General, and that for the guests of his Excellency the Governor of Bombay. As a very large number of people came to Bombay from Gujarat and Kathyawar, the ordinary trains were found insufficient to cope with the tremendous rush and for three days relief trains were run between Bombay and Ahmedabad.

A special for the guests of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay left here yesterday with the following:—

Lord and Lady Harris, the Hon'ble George Harris, H.H. the Aga Khan, the Hon'ble Sir Pherozesha and Lady Mehta, General and Mrs. Stevenson, the Hon'ble Mr. and Mrs. Orr, Mr. and Mrs. Michael the Hon'ble Mr. Justice D. D. Davar, Mr. Shapurji B. Broacha, the Hon'ble Mr. Abdul Hoosein Adamji Peerbhoy, the Hon'ble Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtulla, the Hon'ble Mr. Rafiuddin Ahmed, the Hon'ble Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard, the Hon'ble Mr. Garud Colonel Dunlop, Sir H. Procter, Mr. Lucas, the Hon'ble Mr. W. L. Graham and Mrs. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. St. J. Graham, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice and Mrs. Heaton, the Hon'ble Mr. Curtis and Mrs. Curtis, the Hon'ble Dr. T B. and Mrs. Nariman, Colonel and Mrs. Jackson, the Hon'ble Mr. Fazalbhoy Currimbhoy, the Hon'ble Sardar Syed Edroos, Sardar the Hon'ble Ishwarsingji, the Hon'ble Mr. and Mrs. Drew, Mrs. Russell, the Hon'ble Mr. and Mrs. Greaves, Mr. Rieu, Mr. Pratt, the Hon'ble Mr. Sharp, the Hon'ble Mr. Kemball, the Hon'ble Mr. Barrow, Mr. and Mrs. Kincaid, Mr. and Mrs. Sprott, the Hon'ble Mr. and Mrs. Strangman, Mrs. Proes, Mrs. Kennedy, Messrs. Begbie, Hill and Milbett, and the Hon'ble Mr. C. H. Setalvad.

The time of arrival at Baroda has been altered to 7 o'clock from 6-30, and the Royal train will halt there for early tea until 7-45. Breakfast will be served at Limkhera at 9-45. The train will move on slowly during breakfast and the next stop will be at Tekot at 10-23. Lunch will be served after leaving Rutlam at 13-20, and the train will move on during lunch and halt next at Magda at 14-15. Afternoon tea will be at Pachpahar at 16-40. The timings for dinner are unchanged.

Major Shelley, the Agent, B. B. and C. I. Railway; Mr. F. W. Hanson, General Traffic Manager; Mr. F. J. Page, Acting Loco. and Carriage Superintendent; were among the attendants on the Royal Train.

Owing to changes having made in the timings of the special train for Their Imperial Majesties, corresponding changes have been made in the timings of His Excellency's Special Train:—The train will halt at Vishvamitri at 7-15 for chota-hazri until 7-50. Breakfast will be served at Godhra at 9-25, and the train will proceed slowly to Sunth Road during breakfast, arriving there at 10-3. The next stop will be at Limkheda at 10-28. Lunch will be served at Rutlam at 13-36.

MR. NAOROJI'S WELCOME.

From Dadabhoy Naoroji, Versava, via Andheri B. B. and C. I. Railway, 30th November 1911.

To His Excellency, Sir George Clarke, Governor of Bombay.

Your Excellency,—May I request you to give the following from me, to their Gracious Majesties the King-Emperor and Queen-Empress on their arrival in Bombay.

"I was born in the middle of the reign of His Majesty King George IV. After 86 years I have the supreme happiness to hail and welcome most heartily to my dear Mother Country, your Gracious Majesties, the King-Emperor George V, and "Queen Empress Mary."—I am &c, DADABHAI NAOROJI.

Dear Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji,—I have great pleasure in sending you this expression of Their Majesties' appreciation of your kindly message.—Believe me, yours very sincerely.—G. S. CLARKE.

H. M. S. "Medina"

Bombay, Dec. 3.

Dear Sir,—The King-Emperor and Queen-Empress were much gratified to receive your words of welcome to India contained in your letter of the 30th November to His Excellency the Governor of Bombay, and I am commanded to express to you Their Imperial Majestie's best thanks for these kind sentiments.

Their Imperial Majesties were greatly touched by the hearty reception accorded to them yesterday by the people of Bombay.

The King-Emperor and Queen-Empress trust that you are in good health and that your old age may be blessed with peace and happiness.—Yours very faithfully,—

STAMFORDHAM.

Dadabhai Naoroji, Esq.

VICEROY ARRIVES AT DELHI.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 5.

His Excellency the Viceroy arrived in Delhi to-day at Selimgarh Station which has been specially opened for the reception of Their Imperial Majesties, and advantage was taken of the occasion to organise a rehearsal of the Royal State Entry which takes place on the 7th instant. The Royal escorts, including the Imperial Cadet Corps, attended in full numbers at Selimgarh Station where the heads of the local governments, members of Council, and most of the Ruling Chiefs were also represented. The route, more than three miles long, was lined with troops and the whole proceedings were rehearsed most successfully. The spectacle, inside the Fort and along the route, where large numbers of spectators had assembled, was most picturesque and impressive.

Shortly after the rehearsal of the Royal Reception in the Fort to-day, a fire broke out in the big Reception Tent which had just been used and it was completely burnt in a few minutes. It contained a large amount of furniture and decorations, also some valuable oriental curios which had been put in it as ornaments, all of which have been badly injured or destroyed. The structure itself will be replaced without difficulty before the King arrives, but some of the silver it contained was probably unique.

DURBAR BOXING TOURNAMENT.

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 5.

At the Coronation Durbar Boxing Tournament, the results on the seventh night were as follows:—

First Round, Feather Weights.—Lce. Cpl. Tighe, (Connaught Rangers) beat Lce. Cpl. Ince, (Royal Fusiliers) on points. A good fight. Pte. Blake, (Middlesex Regt.) versus Pte. Elliott, (Durham Light Infantry). The former was knocked out in the first round.

Second Round, Feather Weights.—Lce. Copl. Thomas, (Royal Scots) versus Pte. Longridge, (Seaforth Highlanders). Longridge got slightly the better of the second round, but was overmatched in the first and third. Lce. Copl. Thomas won on points.

Second Round, Bantam Weights.—Pte. Wilson, (H. L. I.) and Pte. Dwyer, (The King's Regiment) Dwyer led on points on every round and won very comfortably. Pte. Hanlon, (Leinster Regiment) and Pte. Rogers, (1st Essex Regt.) Pte. Rogers won on points. Dr. Fairman, (Royal Munster Fusiliers) versus Pte. Hanrahar, (Royal Irish Regt.) Dr. Fairman went for his man and led on points during every round. He won on points.

Second Round, Middle Weights.—Pte. Wood, (3rd K. R. R.) and Pte. Townsend, (Royal Welsh Fusiliers). After an extra round of two minutes, the latter won on points. Pte. Stephens, (Cameron Highlanders) versus Rflm. Curzon, (4th K. R. R.). Weight and condition told against Stephens in the second round and in the third round he threw up the sponge. Pte. Third, (Gordon Highlanders) versus Pte. Cooper, (5th Fusiliers). The first round was in favour of Third and the second in favour of Cooper. In the end, Third just won on points. Pte. Ott, (Royal West Kent Regt.) gave in to Gr. Smith, (4th Brigade, R. F. A.) in the first round.

Light Weights.—Pte. Blake, (Middlesex Regt.) versus Gunner Watson, (Mounted Battery). The former knocked his man ont in ten seconds.

Second Round, Heavy Weights.—Rflm. Mowlett, (4th K. R. R. Corps) failing to appear, Lce. Cpl. Gates won.

First Round, Light Weights.—Pte. Burns, (H. L. I.) versus Pte. Mercer, (South Lancashire Regt.) The latter scratched.

Second Round, Light Weights.—Pte. Knox, (Loyal North Lancashire Regt.) scratched to Pte. McDonald, (Seaforth Highlanders).

DURBAR FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 5.

The semi-finals of the Delhi Durbar Football Tournament were finished yesterday evening with matches between the Lancashire Fusiliers and the King's Shropshire Light Infantry and the Border Regiment and the Loyal North Lancashires. The first game was very slow, and, though the Lancashire Fusiliers managed to put in three goals against their opponents' one, there was absolutely no exhibition of good play on either side. The weakness of the forwards and middle defence of the Infantry was evident, and at every advantageous turn the Infantrymen fumbled the ball. The two forward outside players of the Lancashires were quick and judicious, but the combination was valueless as a match-winning force.

The second game between the Border Regiment and the Loyal North Lancashires was much more lively than the first, but was marked by the absence of any remarkable achievement. Individual play was nowhere, except that of the Border custodian who kept his ground well and played a skilful game. The Border Regiment will meet the Lancashire Fusiliers in the final on the 9th December which will probably be witnessed by Their Majesties.

THE POLO TOURNAMENT.

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 5.

The King's Dragoon Guards beat the 13th Hussars in the Durbar Polo Tournament here yesterday by eight goals to four. The game however, was a more closely contested one than might appear from this record, the score having once stood at three all. The game was watched throughout by a large crowd. The teams were:—

King's Dragoon Guards: Captain Rashbotham, Mr. Weinhold, Captain Leslie Cheape and Major Wickham.

The 13th Hussars: Mr. Vanneck, Mr. Hind, Major Richardson and Mr. Lawson Smith.

Captains Ritson and Lockett acted as umpires.

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 5.

The semi-finals of the Durbar Hockey Tournament were played this evening before a large crowd. The first game was between 30th Punjabis, and 84 the Infantry. After thirteen minutes' play the 30th scored two goals in rapid succession the goal keeper failing to clear his line. The 84th then scored the first point for his side. The 30th's scored three more successive goals and beat their opponents by five to one.

The second game between the 33rd Punjabis and 93rd Infantry was fast and interesting throughout, both sides playing exceedingly well.

The opening was much in favour of the Punjabis and came out with flying colours throughout the game.

The 33rd Punjabis will now meet the 30th Punjabis in the final which is fixed for the 14th December.

The Imperial Cadets played the Bhopal Regiment this afternoon and the result after a fast and hard galloping game was a win for the latter by seven goals to three. At the end of the sixth chukker the score stood two goals all. The 7th Chukker resulted in Bhopal scoring three goals and the Cadets one. In the last chukker the Bhopal team made two more goals. This was the best game played so far the Nawab of Jaora played brilliantly, for the Cadets and Abdul Wahid and Imtiaz Ali were conspicuous on the Bhopal side.

The teams:—Imperial Cadets.—1. Nawab of Savanur 2. Nawab of Jaora, 3. Capt. Skinner, 4. Rajah of Rutlam.

Bhopal Jem.—1. Gholam Ahmed, 2. Capt. Abdul Wahid, 3. Imtiaz Ali, 4 Capt. Todd.

CALCUTTA, DEC. 5.

The advance guard of the 8th Royal Hussars has arrived in Calcutta from Lucknow. The bulk of the regiment will arrive here on Saturday next. This crack regiment will form an escort for the King-Emperor during His Majesty's visit to Calcutta.

CALCUTTA, DEC. 5.

The following message has been telegraphed to Their Majesties by the Secretary, Board of Governors, King's Hospital, Calcutta.

"Offer Your Imperial Majesties hearty greetings on behalf of suffering patients of Calcutta King's Hospital, and King Edward Memorial Ward for alopathic and ancient scientific Kaviraji treatment established to commemorate Your Majesties' visit, knowing no commemoration will please our beloved King-Emperor and Queen-Empress more than an institution for the alleviation of human suffering, a cause in which Your Majesties are hereditarily interested."

MADRAS, DEC. 5.

The Persians in Madras held a meeting last evening expressing their loyalty and welcoming Their Majesties. They expressed that their joy would have been immense had it not been for the sad affairs in Persia.

RANGOON, DEC. 5.

Owing to the absence of children for holidays from the various schools, the combined fete in honour of the Coronation of Their Majesties King George and Queen Mary has been fixed for February 3rd next when inter-school sports will be held for the European, Vernacular and Normal Schools. The Anglo-Vernacular schools are to be entertained by the Star Bioscope Company in batches of 1,520 children daily for one week. A sum of Rs. 4,600 has been allotted for the purpose of purchasing substantial bronze medals to be distributed to every pupil in Rangoon.

LAHORE, DEC. 5.

The 29th and 30th lists of subscriptions to the King Edward Memorial Fund, Punjab, bring the total subscriptions up-to-date to fifteen lakhs forty three thousand one hundred and eighty-four rupees, five annas and four pies.

ANOTHER FIRE IN DURBAR CAMP.

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 5.

The rehearsal of the State entry took place this morning. A beautiful shamiana, erected near the Salimgarh Station for the King's reception by the Princes, was burnt down at two o'clock this afternoon. The cause of the fire is unknown, it being conjectured that it might have due to the fusion of an electric wire or a spark from a railway engine. The whole shamiana was burnt down in three minutes.

There will be a rehearsal of the investiture ceremony this evening at the King's Camp.

THE KING'S SPEECH.

RANGOON PRESS COMMENTS.

RANGOON, DEC. 5.

Referring to the King's speech, "Rangoon Gazette" says:—"His Majesty's words will find a fervent echo in the heart of every loyal citizen throughout India. Many millions of faithful subjects will be able to give themselves up to a whole-hearted demonstration of loyalty without concern for the needs of the day and the example by Bombay on Saturday will be followed throughout India:"

The "Rangoon Times" says,—"Their Majesties, reply, in simple, graceful and eloquent language breathed truly the sympathetic spirit and showed that he is not indifferent to the needs and wishes of his Oriental subjects. It revealed also that discriminating power of careful observation which is not the least valuable of his kingly qualities, and we may be sure, in the course of his progress towards Delhi, nothing will be left undone to promote public welfare and to remove the cause of discontent."

THE "BENGALEE."

CALCUTTA, Dec. 5.

In noticing the King's speech, the "Bengalee" to-day observes:—"There was in it a touch of genuine feeling which could not fail to appeal powerfully to the hearts of his hearers. His Majesty did not commit himself to any opinion on any political subject. In view of the Proclamation which is to be issued on the 12th of December, and to which all India is looking forward with interest and expectancy, the general effect of the King's speech will be to deepen the impression which his previous utterances produced in the public mind that His Majesty is full of sympathy for his Indian subjects."

AFTER THE FIREWORKS.

TO THE EDITOR, OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—After the fireworks display last night I travelled home to Bandra by the first of the specials timed to leave at 12-40 on the termination of the firework display. Before going farther I should like to know who was responsible for so badly informing the B. B. and C. I. Railway as to the probable time at which the display would terminate which presumably must have been intimated as 12-30 for the Railway Notice reads to the effect that after the termination of the firework display, from 12-40 trains will run etc, while as a matter of fact the fireworks finished not later than 11 and from that hour onwards Church-gate Station was thronged with a huge crowd who had to cool their heels for anything from two hours to an hour and forty minutes. At 12-55 the first special actually left Churchgate Station, it was timed not to stop at Marine Lines, Charni Road, or Grant Road, but at the latter station it stopped, and stopped as if it did not intend to proceed again, at 1-30 the second special passed us, and at 1-45 we were informed that the engine had failed. At 1-40 the third special caught us up, just after this a relief engine appeared on the scene, and at 1-47 amid cheers we actually left Grant Road. Outside Mahalakshmi the engine again failed and we were detained till 2-25 when a third engine came to the rescue, this did not 'fail' and reached Bandra at 2-50. Traffic Managers, Traffic Superintendents, Traffic Inspectors there are on the B. B. and C. I. Railway without doubt, what the man-in-the-street would like to know is where were they all last night and who is responsible for such a hopeless tangle of affairs.—Yours, etc.,

BAN DRAITE.

Bombay December 5.

II.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Who was responsible for the firework display (heaven bless the mark!) last night? For a native wedding-party it would have been fair; but for "such" an occasion, and for the entertainment of the thousands who yesterday walked miles, and who struggled for places to witness the fireworks

UNWORTHY.

Bombay, Dec. 5.

THE ABOR EXPEDITION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, Dec. 5.

The General Officer Commanding Abor Expedition telegraphs from Camp at the mouth of the Sice stream on December 4th that the Abor position at Kekar Monnying was captured on that day. Three companies of 8th Gurkhas, 60th Rifles, 2nd Gurkhas, and a detachment of the Assam Valley Light Horse were sent across to the left bank of Dihong river on the evening of December 3rd. They were attacked during the night, but beat off the enemy. Three Companies of the 8th Gurkhas formed the left attack working round the hills on the right of the enemy's position, while the main attack advanced upon the right bank of Dihong. The attack resulted in the capture of the stockade with the loss of two riflemen of the 2nd Gurkhas who were killed by musket shots. the enemy's loss is not known, but five dead Abors were found. The detachment which formed the right attack is pursuing along the left bank of Dihong and four Companies of 8th Gurkhas are in pursuit along the left bank. The casualty returns are not yet received.

SIDE RIVER CAMP, Dec. 5.

In pursuance of a plan to outflank the enemy's stockade by a net on the opposite bank of the Dihong the Sappers and Miners after arduous work and repeated attempts for three days succeeded in effecting the passage of the river by means of rafts made of waterproof bags filled with straw which I have previously described. The difficulties of getting a cable across during the night unobserved by the Abors were increased by the varying nature of the current and the presence of rapids above and below the point of crossing rendered the attempts most perilous conducted as they necessarily were by a small party under Lieut. Cave-Browne to whom with Capt. Tylden Patterson great credit is due for the completion of an excellent piece of work. The spot selected for the passage of the troops was invisible from the enemy's stockade and landing places on both banks were favourable. At 5-10 p. m. on the 3rd three hundred men consisting of three companies 8th Gurkhas, one company 2nd Gurkhas, the Volunteers detachment with two Maxims commenced the passage of the river about fifteen at a time, each journey taking about a quarter of an hour. The bright moonlight favoured operations and at 10-35 p.m. all were safely on the other bank where the scouts found a path. All through the night the advance to take up a position at dawn commanding the enemy's stockade went on. At 1-30 a.m. on the 4th a party of Abbors attacked them, but were driven off, two of their number being killed. The shots were heard in Rotung Camp from which at 5-45 p.m. a start was made by the remainder of the striking force who detached three companies of the 8th Gurkhas under Capt. Giffard to operate on the left flank. The party on the other bank of the Dihong were in position and communication between all three parties throughout was maintained by telephone. At 11 a. m. the mist which had previously obscured the enemy's position rolled away and the stockade was taken without difficulty, the Abors holding it were put to flight and disappeared into the thick jungle three of them being killed. It is however difficult on account of the denseness of the forest to estimate their casualties. Three companies of the 8th Gurkhas under Lt. Col. Murray, D. S. O. and accompanied by Capt. Hore, Intelligence Officer, immediately went in pursuit of the enemy in the direction of Balek. Fifty rock shoots from which the Abors were driven by our attack have been found undischarged on the line of our expected advance. The stockade was not as formidable or as carefully concealed as the Rotung one captured on the 19th November. Our casualities throughout the day were two riflemen of the 2nd Gurkhas killed during the attack by the Abors before dawn. After the capture of the stockade Captain Coleridge's flying column proceeded to the hostile village of Sissin and the remainder of the force encamped here. The news of the death of Captain Hutchins, 3rd Gurkhas, who has been serving with the Lakhimpur Military Police of pneumonia at Dibrugarh has been received with general regret throughout the force. As a pioneer in the Abor country in March he had worked assiduously throughout the raids at furthering the subsequent advance of the expedition and accompanied the Ledum Column to Mishing. The hardship he underwent must have undermined his constitution and in him the service loses a bold, fearless soldier devoted to his profession.

TANJORE CONFERENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, Dec. 5.

At the adjurned session of the Tanjore District Conference at Mannargudy on the 3rd instant the following among other resolutions were carried :—

That this conference urges on the Government to frame rules under the Indian Emigration Act 17 of 1908, providing that intending emigrant should be required to produce before the Protector or Registering Officer a certificate from the Village Magistrate to the effect that at the time of emigration, there is no subsisting labour contract to which he is a party,

That this conference regrets the ten undue delay in the construction of Nidamangalam-Mannergudi and Tirtturaipund-Vedaranyam lines already sanctioned, and urges on the Tanjore District Board the desirability of expediting it.

That this conference cordially supports the principles of Elementary Education Bill introduced into the Imperial Legislative Council by the Hon. Mr. Gokhale.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR W. BOUGHTON CHAMBERS, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, 6th December.

301. Parades—Saturday, 9th December.

Nos 1 and 2 Companies 1 inch Aiming Rifle Practice from Middle Ground Fort. Parade at Apollo Bunder at 5 p.m., and proceed direct to Middle Ground by Bunder boats.

Dress—Khaki and Helmets.

302. Musketry—Sunday 10th December, 1911.

Spoon Competition at Ghat Kopar.

Ranges 300 and 500 yards.

Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 6-30 a.m.

303. Duties—Orderly Sergeant for the week ending Sunday, 10th inst. is :—

No 1 Company, Sergt C B Banks.

No 2 Company, Sergt H B Graveston.

304. Strength. The undermentioned members having rejoined the Corps are taken on the strength and posted to the Reserve as follows :—

Reservist W S Kelly and T G Mooney No 1 Company, No 4 Sub-Division.

305. Transfer—Gunner A J Grindlay is transferred from No 1 Company to the E E Company from to-day's date in the Rank of Sapper.

306. Strength —The undermentioned member having joined the Corps is taken on the strength and posted as under :—

No 109 Sapper G Mann, E E Company.

E. P. OUDLIF, Capt. R. A.,
Adjt. B. V. A.

The New South Wales estate of the late Mr. Walter Hall, the Mount Morgan millionaire, has been sworn at £2,311,000.

THE ARCHITECT'S FIRST CLIENT.

The Americans, being an intensely businesslike people, do not disdain humour. They even admit it, in heroic doses, to the pages of that highly respectable magazine, "The Architectural Record." In the November issue of that publication there is a verry fanny story entitled "The Client," by Ellis Parker Butler, which gives a delightfully whimsical description of a young architect's first encounter with a client. As a result of this experience, he is found humped down before a tin table in a corner cafe in the Latin Quarter, when it was supposed by the friend who discovered him that he was "architecturing on his own account at Montclair, New Jersey."

When his friend suddenly slapped him on the back, the architect was greatly scared. He was afraid it was She—his first client, younguish and blondish. "I had to leave. I had to run away. I was breaking down under the strain of her."

It was terrible to find him such an awful wreck. It seems he finished his course at the Bozark (French for Fine Arts, you know) and stood right up among the top of the young fellows and left with glory. Somebody had complimented him most highly on something—the plan of a two-storey parlstyle for a naval observatory for observing the perihelia of aeroplanes, or some other useful thing like that. Then he set up in Montclair as an architect, with offices in a yellow pressed brick building. The architecture of this building depressed him from the very first. Someone had put the ready-made tin cornice on upside down. Quite a natural mistake, but it annoyed him. For weeks at a time he had nothing to do but sit in his office and think about the row of "floor de liss (French for iris) upside down above his head.

Then, for months and months his office routine was as follows :—He would sit until noon thinking of forty-million-dollar Gothic cathedrals and ten-million-dollar city hall. After luncheon he would think of plain ordinary Queen Anne cottages until three o'clock—ten-thousand-dollar cottages immediately after luncheon, but, by three o'clock, two-thousand-dollar cottages. Just after three he began to think of woodsheds and additions to chicken-houses, the scale diminishing until four o'clock, when he arrived at thought of the upside-down cornice. This was something of a dip from the cathedral and town-hall commissions; for if he changed the cornice to suit his taste he would have to draw the plans for nothing and then pay for the work of flooping the cornice over.

Fritz had began to think out lunatic asylum interiors when his first first client arrived. She wanted a house wanted something Queen Annish —something like a house she saw in Brookline, and something like another in Columbus. There were to be a pergola and a garage. She wanted dear old-fashioned small windows, but they must have large plate-glass panes. You can never keep maids if they have the corners of many small panes to clean.

When you meet a woman of that short look at her feet. If she wears high-heeled shoes you want to talk Louis XV., and "How would lavender satin wall coverings do for the boodwarr?" If she has commonsense heels, it is only necessary to say: "In my opinion a dwelling is incomplete without eighty-four large clothes closets." This woman had commonsense heels. Fritz got on the right track with the clothes closet saying. But she had brought her own plans with her. They were not nicely scaled. A room 12 by 20, and a closet 4 by 6 would be put down side by side, each occupying the same sized space on the plan.

Fritz managed to please with his redraft of the first-floor plan, but with the second-floor plan she was displeased, and Fritz had to explain that if he started the stairs where they did start on the first floor plan, and let them arrive where his client wished them to arrive, they would have to get under the bath-room somehow, and the only way to do that would be to have the bathroom suspended from the house-roof by means of chains. She said, "If I want the stairs in a certain place, I want them there. Please understand that." So he went back and altered the second floor, and then altered the first floor to agree with it. She was delighted with the second floor, but when she saw that the first floor had been revised, she said she liked the original first-floor plan much better, and the revised plan would not do at all.

"But," said Fritz, "you can't have that first-floor arrangement with this second-floor arrangement. For example, this chimney in the dining-room is on the left side of the house in the first floor plan you like, but it is on the right side of the house in the second-floor plan you like. Now, the chimney would have to rise one storey, and then cross the house between the ceiling and the floor and go on up."

Fritz wrestled with the plans, but the more he worked at them the greater the confusion. He had chimneys and flues running all over the place. . . And the plumbling! There were places where a pipe had to go around the stairway, and after entering a room, back out again, as if it had made a bad mistake, run the length of the house, and end where there was no room and no house. There were some first-floor rooms without roofs, and some second-floor rooms that had to float in the air. She said the plans would not do at all. She wanted that first-floor plan as it was first, and she wanted also the unrelated second-floor plan.

Finding that his mind was giving way, Fritz let her have what she wanted. She approved, and wrote him a cheque. Then he fled to Paris, a haunted man. "When that builder, he said to his friend, "finds that kitchen 'chimney doesn't meet the upper section of itself by three feet, he's going to be very, very angry. When he finds that the bath-room has to be hung from the roof, and that the water will have to be hung from it through rubber hose, I'm ruined. That's all. I'm ruined."

But the friend was able to tell him that the house was built, and she was happy and contented in it.

"Didn't she—didn't she say any thing cruel?" Fritz asked, hope beginning to shine in his eyes.

"Not a word—or yes! Yes!" I said. "I remember now! She did. She said—let me see, what was it? Yes! She said the builder she had almost an absolute idiot. She said he was a stupid ox. That is what she said. She said she gave him as clean and plain a set of plans as ever were drawn, and he took them, and the very first thing he did when he had them was to sit down and look them over and begin to cry like a baby. She said she knew right then she had made a mistake in picking her builder, and it turned out that she was right. Every time he looked at the plans he seemed to have an attack of insanity. She said he would look at the first-floor plan, and then at the second-floor plan, and then go down to the corner and get behind a tree and swear. But she said she held him to his work. She said he would come to her like a child and complain that something was wrong with the plans—that something they demanded absolutely could not be done. Then, she said, she told him 'Nonsense!' and he went back to his work and did whatever it was just as she wanted it.

Fritz raised up the rim of his bloody hat.

"Let's get in out of this rain," he said, and moved back under the shelter. He took off his rain coat, and gave his moustaches a dainty twist.

"Stupid lot, those builders!" he said "Ruin half the work a good architect plans. Hey! Gasson—"doo book!"—"Architects and Builders Journal."

NEW CATHEDRAL FOR COLOMBO.

A well-attended meeting, the object of which was to further a scheme for the erection of a new cathedral in Colombo, was held on Nov. 15 at Westminster Palace Hotel, when the Bishop of Calcutta, Metropolitan of India, presided in the absence through illness of Lord Starmore.

The Bishop of Colombo said that the project to build a new cathedral was made possible by the donation by the Hon. J. N. Campbell of 10,000l., while 44,507 rs. had been raised in the diocese. A desire had been expressed to associate some part of the cathedral with the memory of King Edward. It was intended that the building should be capable of holding 1,500 to 2,000 persons, and provision made for clergy house and synod hall. An account had been opened at Coutts's Bank for subscriptions in England. Of the amount obtained it was proposed to allocate one tenth for an endowment fund. The estimated cost of the building was 750,000 rs.

Sir Everard im Thurn said that no better site could have been found than the Galle Face for the new building, but he regretted that it was found necessary to sell the site of St. Peter's Church.

The Chairman said that when he was Bishop of Colombo in 1876 the subject was under discussion. The considerations that moved them then, the inadequacy of the old edifice both in size and situation, were even more pressing now.

A resolution commending the scheme was adopted.

CHANGES IN CHINA

The Peaceful Revolution.

It has come at last. When we were in China in 1907 says the Revd. Lord William Gascoyne-Cecil in the Daily Mail of Mail week everybody said a revolution would come when the Dowager-Empress's strong hand was removed. But the prophets were wrong: when she died nothing happened. When we returned in 1909 it had not yet come; there were rumours—that was all. The powder seemed damp and would not light. But now it has come with a loud explosion that is reverbrating throughout the world, with bloodshed, arson, mutiny, massacres, intrigue—in fact, all things necessary to a terrible revolution after the French model. Yet this is not he revolution that is really interesting. Another that preceded it, though less noisy, was far more important, and one that went far more deeply into its national life than any change of Government could do; I mean the wonderful peaceful revolution that is altering Chinese civilisation and converting China into a Western country, or at least into a Western country after the Japanese fashion.

THE REAL REVOLUTION.

It is hard for us to realise here what this peaceful revolution means. Perhaps we shall realise it more if we imagine that just the reverse has happened, and instead of the Chinese having accepted western civilisation we have accepted Chinese civilisation. What should we say if in England we were, for instance, adopting Chinese dress? If the business men who sit opposite to us in the train turned up one morning in blue gowns and began to cultivate pigtails, or if our wives appeared in bound feet, loose trousers, and unbound waist. What should we say if, when we got to the City, we found everyone crowding in to hear a Chinese teacher and buying copies of the works of Confucius? And what should we say if, edicts appeared forbidding the use of alcohol and summarily abolishing public-houses? What, again, should we say if the whole of the British Constitution were being Orientalised, if every Municipality were introducing Chinese methods, if the whole moral code of England were in state of flux? Yet this is what has happened in China. The followers of Confucian civilisation have determined to accept Western civilisation and put their Confucian civilisation with its vices and virtues on the scrap heap. So they are abolishing opium smoking and are unbinding their daughters' feet, learning military science (a thing abominable to Confucius), listening to Christian teachers, sending their children to mission schools, cutting of their queues, and adopting Western dress. This movement is affecting a nation which boast itself on having a quarter of the population of the globe, and which has certainly one-fifth. Nothing like this movement has been seen since the Reformation altered the whole history of Europe. A few years ago if you had told an old China hand that China was going to follow Western and not Confucian teaching he would have laughed. Then it seemed as improbable as it now seems that a Mohommedan should eat pork chops or a Sikh should shave his beard or a Brahmin should embrace an outcast. Yet the improbable has once more come to pass in the history of the world. I told an American missionary that in the university scheme (which, I hope will shortly be an actuality) Confucian learning would be encouraged as not inconsistent with Christianity. He answered that I might say that in England, but among the young Chinese "Confucius cuts no ice."

YOUNG CHINA'S HOPES.

What is going to be the end? After having just pointed out how wrong all prophets, have been, I am not going to prophesy, but we can see what others expect the end to be. Young China expects that a Western nation will be born in a day, and that China will be able to Westernise with as much ease as a Chinaman can cut off his queue and put on a Western dress; that his country is to be a Republic, Western fashion with a Magna "Charter," a declaration of independence, a summoning of the States-General—in fact, with all the incidents of Western constitutional history that all Young China has learnt to admire and to confuse in the Western college. His future ideal is to have a President or a Prime Minister whose efforts will be neutralised by a Leader of the Opposition, and who will carry on the government with all the loquacity that modern democracy adores. But he mainly hopes that this Westernised China will defeat Japan and Russia, yes, and even France and Germany, too, till China shall again belong to the Chinese. Young Japan, on the other hand, I will not say, expect, but I think I may say hopes, that somehow or other Japan will find herself mistress of a large part of China, if not of all, with a purse big enough to buy a navy which will make the Pacific Ocean her lake and make Australia and New Zealand rather anxious and very loyal to England. The German Colonial party now expect Shantung to be the foundation of a German Chinese Empire. Russia perhaps thinks that Tientsin would do nicely as an outlet for Siberian Commerce.

THE DANGERS OF TRANSITION.

These and many other contingencies seem possible. But it seems certain that China in one way or another will become Western; she may make mistakes, she may fall under the complete or partial domination of other countries, but she will never again be the Oriental country to whom the West was a matter of indifference, and who had no effect on Western life, except to teach them to make porcelain and to drink tea. Now China is going to be a factor in the history of Western civilisation for good or for evil, and it is certain she will be a factor for evil if she fails to understand it; if she regards a telephone wire or an aeroplane as its most beautiful production or the invention of death-dealing shells as its greatest benefit to humanity; if she looks on sweated industry as a necessary and healthy feature of commercial development, she will depress the world by her mighty weight, and to avoid such misunderstanding she must be efficiently taught. A misunderstanding will produce a mongrel civilisation having the vices of the East and West. Western civilisation has a beautiful side and a hideous side. The slum and the hospital, the church and the house of vice are all characteristics of the West; Western civilisation without Christianity would be a terrible thing, and it is this terrible thing that looms darkly behind the Chinese revolution and frighthens the thinkers of East and West. A leading Chinese statesman, whose name has lately been before the public, said to me in poivate conversation when I pressed on him the beauty of Christianity, "Yes, I know all that is good in the West comes from Christianity." What is therefore needed now is not only missionaries, but also men who shall educate the young Chinese to enable them to understand how closely Christianity and the good side of Western civilisation are allied and that the second cannot be made a reality unless the first is accepted.

What China needs at the present critical juncture of her history is a university where her youth may attain to a thorough knowledge of Western thought. From that university will go out light to all China. China must be taught by the Chinese, but the teachers must themselves first learn. The moment is important for the whole world; the yellow man is entering into the white man's civilisation; what has begun in Japan is being completed in China. It is in the interest of all nations that at this crisis in the history of civilisation Chinese thought shall receive every enlightenment.

When Japan accepted Western civilisation the world was incredulous, Russia greeted her action with scornful laughter. Russia does not laugh now; neither will Europe be indifferent to what is happening in China in a decade or so.

Westminster's contribution of £1,973 to the King Edward Memorial in London raised during the year has been received by the Lord Mayor.

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LABOUR UNREST.

A Reform League.

The movement in favour of an amendment of the Trade Disputes Act has resulted in the formation, at a meeting held in London on Nov. 13, of a new association, the object of which will be "to conduct an educational movement regarding the dangerous powers which labour agitators are able to wield owing to the Trade Disputes Act." Lord Claud Hamilton has accepted the presidency, and Lord Joicey and Lord Monkswell are vice-presidents of the association, which is to be known as the Trade Disputes Act Reform League. Mr. Charles Charleton is the chairman, and Mr. Ernest Platt (Oldham) deputy-chairman.

THE RAILWAYMEN.

Railway workers at Crewe on Nov. 13 decided to accept the report of the Royal Commission and to vote against a national strike. As there are some 10,000 men of the London and North-Western Railway at that branch, their decision will be an important factor in the ballot of the four railwaymen's unions, which has now begun and which concludes on Dec. 5. The men of Crewe have resolved to try the new scheme of conciliation boards recommended by the Commission. The Crewe meeting consisted of delegates representing all branches of the four railway unions in the locality. They spent several hours discussing the Royal Commission's report, and passed the following resolution unanimously :—

"The joint meeting of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, the Associated Society of Locomotive Enginemen and Firemen, the General Railway Workers Union, the United Pointsmen and Signalmen's Society, representative of all grades of railwaymen, after careful consideration of the evidence given before and the recommendations and report of the Royal Commission hereby resolve to accept the recommendations contained in the report of the Commissioners, and to give the suggested scheme contained therein a trial.

We call upon his Majesty's Government through the Prime Minister, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the President of the Board of Trade, at once to arrange a round-table conference of the Royal Commissioners, representatives of the Board of Trade, railway companies, and railway trade unions to discuss the recommendations and suggested scheme as outlined in the report; and to decide upon the definitions and interpretations of the whole, so that the scheme should not be prejudiced by various renderings.

"Further, we hereby resolve to recommend to our members to answer the questions on the ballot papers as follows :—1. Are you prepared to accept the findings of the Royal Commission?—Yes. 2. Are you prepared to withdraw your labour in favour of the recognition of the trade unions and a programme for all railwaymen to be agreed upon by the members of the joint committee?—No. We wish to place on record our steadfast determination at once to press for the removal of our grievances, and not to rest satisfied until we have obtained a better condition of service and a more humane life for all.

"William Jefferies, Chairman,
"F. W. Wickham, Secretary."

Mr. Arthur Henderson, M. P., speaking at Cowes, expressed regret that the railway companies had refused to meet the representatives of the men to discuss the findings of the Railway Commission. Knowing, as he did, the views of his fellow-commissioners, he did not hesitate to say that the railway companies' attitude was antagonistic to the spirit if not to the letter of those findings, and was a departure from the undertaking given by the companies' representatives to the Board of Trade in August last. If such an attitude were presisted in the Government, having regard to the possible consequences, and in the public interest, must use all its power to bring the parties together before it was too late.

A number of meetings of railwaymen were held in various centres to consider the position, and the bulk of opinion appears to have been against the acceptance of the report of the Royal Commission of Inquiry.

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BY THE WAY.

LATE DR. R. D. ROBERTS.

The University world of both England and Wales has suffered a heavy loss by the totally unexpected death of Dr. R. D. Roberts, whose body was cremated at Golders Green in mail week. For fully twenty years Dr. Roberts had been associated with University Extension work, latterly as Registrar of the London Board. He know the whole movements as it is known to no other official, and, as was well said a day or two ago, he could expound its working in the manner of a Chancellor of the Exchequer unfolding a Budget. Besides being a fine lecturer and an accomplished public servant, Dr. Roberts was a man of great personal charm, and was known to hundreds of educational workers as a helpful and inspiring force.

"QUEEN ELIZABETH'S DAY."

November 17 was for two centuries a popular anniversary among Londoners called "Queen Elizabeth's Day," upon which the accession of the "bright occidental star," was commemorated. A picturesque but rather dangerous feature of the proceedings was the great torchlight procession that wended its way from Moorgate, through the principal streets of the City, to Temple Bar, where a vast bonfire was kindled "over against the Inner Temple gate," upon which an effigy of the Pope was burned. After the Great Fire the rejoicings degenerated into satirical naturalia, and became so turbulent that they were forcibly suppressed in 1682. The fiery pageant was revived in the reign of Queen Anne, and directed against Dr. Sacheverell; but this riotous "No Popery" festival fell into desuetude on the accession of the House of Hanover.

MR. BALFOUR AS A MUSICIAN.

Mr. Balfour, it may not be generally known, despite his strenuous part in politics, has contrived to follow the art of music with enthusiasm and a fair amount of regularity. While appreciating the new school, as represented by Wagner, Tchaikovsky, and others, the right hon. gentlemen's inclinations are more in favour of such old masters as Bach and Handel—particularly the latter. He is particularly interested in the less familiar works of the composer of the "Messiah," and on one occasion made a special journey to Edinburgh to hear a revival of "Athaliah," and he once was practically financially responsible for a London performance of "Belshazzar's Feast."

ACTIVE INTERESTS.

Mr. Balfour possesses a very fine collection of Handel's works—almost rivalling that of Dr. W. H. Cummings—and he was a member of the committee of the Handel Society. The early rehearsals of the Society were held at the residence of the ex-Unionist Leader, 4, Carlton-gardens. Mr. Balfour voived his great admiration for Handel in a very thoughtfully written article in the "Edinburgh Review" for January, 1887, which was subsequently embodied in a volume of his essays. The right hon. gentleman is known as a visitor to the big Wagner Festivals at Bagreuth, while he was a regular subscriber to the celebrated Richter Concerts right from their inception.

RAILWAY SLEEPER PLANTATIONS.

The South African Railway Administration has embarked on a scheme for growing timber for sleeper purposes. An area of 30,000 acres of land has been reserved in several parts of the Cape Colony, and the cost incurred to date is over £70,000. The total area planted at the end of 1910 was 7,341 acres. The general manager reports that he is convinced of the desireability of extending afforestation in the country whatever possible. The timber planted is mostly eucalyptus.

SETTLERS' CHRISTMAS IN THE OLD COUNTRY.

The Canadian Northern Atlantic R.M.S. "Royal Edward" which recently arrived at Bristol from Montreal and Quebec, had an exceptionally large number of passengers on board. The majority of the travellers have returned to visit their homes for Christmas time, and in the early spring will be going back again to Canada. All the Canadian steamers for the next week or two will bring back large numbers of Englishmen and Englishwomen who have settled in Canada and have succeeded so well that they have been able to put by sufficient money to enable them to spend a holiday with their friends in the old country. Many of these homeward-bound settlers come from points in the Far West, and the rail and ocean fares represent a substantial sum.

THE MEMORY OF WOLFE.

The Canadian clubs throughout the Dominion are taking a keen interest in the proposal to commemorate the memory of Wolfe, who won for us Western Empire. The present plain stone shaft within a mean iron railing in the midst of a grubby field, which marks the spot where the hero fell, is considered to be most inadequate, and that it should be replaced by a splendid national memorial in a suitable setting of public gardens. Meetings have been held in Winnipeg and Calgary Western Canada generally, which have supported the suggestion with enthusiasm

"BARRITSERS WITH A HANDICAP."

The association of Mr. Dickens as counsel in the Foster-Beecham suit with Mr. Barnard, the namesake of an illustrator of his father's works, reminds the London correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" of the many famous names possessed by members of the Bar. This list includes William Shakespeare, Robert Burns, Walter Scott, Tennyson Robert Browning, Cowper, Campbell, Gray, Paley, Watts, Hume, Goldsmith, Shenstone, Emerson, Holmes, Locke, Purcell, Swift, Hood, Ainsworth, and Dumas. While Mr. Dickens was engaged in the Divorce Court recently Mr. Dumas was occupied in another part of the building in an action concerning a damaged barge. There is a Johnson at the Bar, and there is also a Boswall.

A GREAT CROP OF MUSHROOMS.

One natural result of the heavy rain at Home following prolonged drought has been the arrival of a huge crop of mushrooms. Until the break-up of the drought there never had been a year in which so few fungi were found around London. Now almost every known species of edible fungus seems to have sprung simultaneously into existence with the proverbial rapidity of "mushroom" growth. The kind most commonly by grasmgrocers in London is the Horse Mushroom (Agaricus Arrvensis which can seldom be seen in the markets of provincial towns because considered by country people only fit for ketchup. Londoners never eat the delicate Parasol Mushroom (A. Procerus), now very abundant, nor the delicious Blewit (A. Personatus), which rots in tons on the meads of Essex, but fetches a high price in the markets of the Midlands.

BEECHER AND WESLEY.

The moral character of John Wesley and that of Henry Ward Beecher were attacked by enemies on precisely the same ground, but the integrity of both men is so fully established that the world has forgotten the assaults upon Wesley, and it will soon forget the bitter foes who assailed Beecher. The time was when he was perhaps the best-hated man in the world, by reason of his attack on slavery and secession, but he lived to receive tumultuous welcome and applause in Richmond and Atlanta. When the War Secretary reccommended that they should ask Beecher to lift the old flag back to its place on Fort Sumter, Lincoln said: "But for Beecher's speeches in England, there might have been no flag to raise!"

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The British Admiralty has recently placed with a lumber company in British Columbia and order for 200,000ft. of white spruce, to be used in the manufacture of oars for the boats of wharships. It is perhaps not generally known that the superior quality of the white spruce grown in the Queen Charlotte Islands, off the coast of British Columbia was discovered years ago by British naval officers of the North Pacific station. The kind of timber was found to be ideally adapted for making oars, and it is now used exclusively for that purpose in all his Majesty's vessels throughout the world.

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BOOKS AND BOOKMEN.

TARIFF ON BOOKS.

That the tariff system of the United States puts readers there to many disadvantages is well known. It is due to it that those cheap reprints which in England have done so much to stimulate bookselling, and have enabled readers even of limited means to put the best of literature upon their shelves, practically do not exist. But new disadvantages are continually declaring themselves, and one especially is being discussed at the present moment. Until recently imported books were distinguished only as bound and unbound, and upon both classes equally a percentage of 20 "ad valorem" was imposed. From the British point of view there ought to be no tax but if there was to be one 20 per cent. was too large. Worse, however, has happened. Into the Tariff Act of 1909 there was allowed to slip almost unnoticed a clause which subdivided bound books into those in which the value of the paper exceeded the value of the binding and those in which the value of the binding exceeded that of the paper. On the former the old tax of 20 per cent. remains payable, but in the case of the latter the tax is much larger, and varies according to the material which raises the price of the binding. Now that arrangement does not seem at first sight unreasonable. Books sumptuously bound are not as a rule valued for their literary worth; they are used as drawing-room ornaments or to decorate some show-shelf in a library. Thus "Zuleika Dobson" two books, both bound in "dull gold," her "Bradshaw" and her "A B C," the one with its letters incrusted in beryls, the other in amethysts, beryls, chrysoprases, and garnets, might well be expected to pay a thumping duty. But unfortunately much humbler volumes suffer in their degree by the terms of the Act, as an easy calculation will show. Thus an "Everyman" in boards cost a shilling and an "Everyman" in leather costs two shillings. The additional shilling, that is, represents the price of the leather, and equals the price of the paper and boards of the plain edition put together. Such a book, accordingly, under a certain clause of the Act becomes liable to a tax of 43 per cent, as being goods in which the chief element is leather. Now that American binders will profit by this there can be no doubt, but what our cousins overseas are asking is whether the benefit to the binders is not more than counterbalanced by the sources of knowledge being made increasingly difficult of access to the average citizen.

OSCAR WILDE'S POEMS.

The verso of the title-page of the "Selected Poems" of Oscar Wilde shows that the since August 17 of this year, the date of first publication, the volume has gone through three editions. An edition, however, is a variable thing, and it is interesting to know that in this case the three editions stand for 30,000 copies. It shows that the book has had something of the success of a popular novel, and that the poetry of Wilde has found its way into the hearts of an immense and strangely silent public. The volume does not, however, profess to be an adequate anthology of Wilde's poetry. It contains the "Ballad of Reading Gaol," but nothing from the "Sphinx" volume of 1894. Even as a selection from the earlier poems it might be improved. The longer poems might be better represented, and it might have contained that beautiful "Requies eat" which alone of all its author's poems Mr. W. B. Yeates chose for inclusion in his "Book of Irish Verse." The editor was working under conditions of space, however, and when one has only 163 pages at his disposal, and when half of them are taken up with the two versions of the "Ballad of Reading Gaol," and the type is so spacious that it takes two pages to contain a sonnet, something must be omitted. As it stands the book amply fulfil its editor's purpose of enabling a reader to compare Wilde's first poetic style with his last.

EARLY AND LATER STYLE.

It is an interesting study. In the early poems we are in the romantic atmosphere. The poet sings of love and joy, depression, disappointment, and death. The love of beauty is everywhere. You have that love of nature which made Wilde when in prison "tremble with pleasure" to think that the day of his liberation the laburnum and the lilac would be in bloom, and that he should see the wind stir into restless beauty the swaying gold of the one and make the other toss the pale purple of its plumes so that all the air should be "Arabia" to him. Then there is the love of beautiful and quaint and exotic things, jewelled scimitars mulless vermilion-finned, beechen cups, and stairs of gold. The poems of this period culminate in the "Ave Imperatrix," a poem which although somewhat lacking in evolution and sometime striking a tumid note, is full of plangent phrases and resonant lines and imaginative pictures, and conveys better than any other poem in our language sense of the "splendida miseria" of imperial greatness. To pass from such poetry to that of the "Ballad of Reading Gaol" is like passing from a palace to a cold cloister, and a ideous cloister at that one not of sanctity but of crime. The contrast brings home very vividly to a reader the utter revulsion of feeling induced in one of the most sensitive men of his time by being set down in surroundings of unimaginable horror, where every objects that met the eye was calculated to revolt his every æsthetic and moral instinct. It would seem as if the poetic perception had been inverted and that the eye instead of singling out objects of beauty, had fallen under the spell of every detail that was of a sort to shock and horrify, so that we are not spared the hangman with his little bag, the greasy rope hooked to the blackened beam, the drop feet-foremost through the floor into space, nor the burning shroud of quicklime in which the criminal's body is enveloped. We are here on the very bottom rock of human reality, and many will read the stanzas of the ballad who will dismiss the brilliant dialogue of the plays as exquisite trifling."

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ANNALS OF GREAT PUBLISHING HOUSES.

Gradually the annals of most of the great publishing houses are being given to the public, and highly interesting they are for the chronicler of literary history. Already we have the story of the houses of Blackwood, Murray, and Macmillan. To these is shortly to be added the history of the American publishing house of Harper, which, although it may appeal primarily to our kin beyond the sea, will likewise have an interest for us on this side of the Atlantic, inasmuch as this firm were the original publishers of a good many English men of letters. Established in 1817 by four sons of Joseph Harper, a farmer in Long Island, the firm issued close upon two hundred works before changing in 1834 its designation from J. and J. Harper to that by which the house has become known in both hemispheres. "Harpers Magazine" was published first in 1850, and "Harper's Weekly" dates from 1857, while "Harper's Young People," now known as "Harper's Round Table," was established in 1881. Besides some of the best-known American authors, the Harpers were the original American publishers of Scott, Dickens, and Thackeray, George Eliot, Wilkie Collins, and others; more recently they have issued editions of the works of George Meredith and Mr. Thomas Hardy.

COLLEY CIBBER'S "APOLOGY."

In the current issue of "Notes and Queries," Mr. W. F. Prideaux has a note on Colley Cibber's "Apology," in which he speaks of that work as "the finest theatrical history in the English language," and expresses surprise that it has not been included in one or other of the numerous series of reprints which have been so marked a feature of the publishing world within the last few years. In view of the fact that Swift is alleged to have sat up all night to read the "Apology," and that Johnson allowed that it was "very well done, to be sure, sir," it certainly does seem curious that it has been so much overlooked. It was first published in 1740, and there have been several reprints, but the only recent one, so far as we can trace, is the expensive illustrated edition issued in 1889 by Mr. Nimmo.

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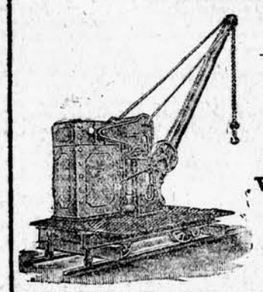

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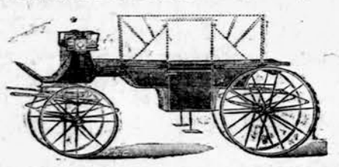

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